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GREEKS-ROOS MEET!

Our welcome visitors of the Greek National team have a definite purpose — the build-up for the current European and the next World Cup.

Contrary to popular opinion, they could be fielding a rather mature team when they step out on to the Sydney Cricket Ground.

The average age of the players could be as high as 26 if the young reserves do not start the game.

The Australian team will have to cut out tricky winger Christos Ifandidis and central striker Dimitrios Gesios if they are to secure an acceptable result after the 2-1 loss in Melbourne.

A 25,000 crowd in Melbourne indicates how much they are appreciated here.

Injury has deprived the Sydney crowd of seeing Thomas Mavro, the 21-year-old star of champions and Cup winners AEK.

Thirty-three-year-old Christos Terzanidis is expected to use his great skills to settle this developing team.

Alketas Panagoulias, the national coach, is facing great problems, but things are on the improve.

From an 0-3 loss to Finland, followed by a 0-6 to Rumania, the team secured a scoreless draw with Bulgaria.

This is Jim Shoulder's farewell to arms in Australia.

Which of the newcomers he has so boldly selected will prove themselves in the class necessary to remain in the national squad?

In Melbourne he brought Chris Kalafatidis (South Melbourne), Joe Piciaone (Footscray) and Gary Cole (Fitzroy) into calculations.

Adelaide's Wednesday night Australian team had many hands who are well on the build, and not one veteran was used.

In Sydney there will be the former Westralian Sauro Iozzelli (Brisbane City), John O'Shea (St. George), Gary Meier (Sydney Olympic), Joe Senkalski (Sydney Olympic), John Karaspyros (Marrickville Olympic), and Sebastian Giampaolo (Inter Monaro).

Australia and Greece have provided close contests since first meeting in 1969.

Sunday's encounter promises to be a thriller in the same vein.

Australia's previous "A" international record against Greece is: 1969, 1-0 (Sydney), 2-2 (Brisbane), 0-2 (Melbourne); 1970, 3-1 (Athens).

The tour is all too short, but we trust that Chief of Delegation Leonidas Seintanidis and his party enjoy their short stay amongst friends in Australia, and have a safe trip home to Athens.

Their managers and coach have been invited to attend a dinner by the NSW Division of the Australian Soccer Press Association and the Australian Federation at the British Ex-Services Club, Sydney, tonight when they arrive in Sydney.

The party will also attend a dinner dance in their honour arranged by Sydney Olympic and the ASF at Paddington Town Hall on the night of the Sydney match.

The Greek national team is due to leave from Sydney Airport at 4.15pm on Monday.

SYDNEY CRICKET GROUND

SUNDAY 3 p.m.

AUSTRALIAN XI GREECE

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	( ) George TZIVOGLOU
	( ) Nicolaos LIAKOS

• *Write team numbers in brackets when announced.*

EUROPE v S. AMERICA CUP FINAL

— From Andrew Dettre in Argentina —

Argentina's hopes of winning the 1978 World Cup have been revived following their placement in the much easier second round Group B and avoidance of West Germany, the only team they really fear.

Ever since losing to them 1-3 last year here in Beunos Aires the Argentinians have regarded the Germans as their main stumbling block to the trophy.

Now it is certain that the final will have at least one European team, as four of them make up Group A.

There seemed to be some confusion as to the final order in Group 3, of the first round, and Argentine newspapers said that lots may be drawn to decide whether Austria or Brazil is regarded as first.

They both finished on four points and both have the same one goal difference. The FIFA rule says quite clearly that in such cases the team scoring more goals is the winner, and that must be Austria.

SOCCER WORLD at the WORLD CUP

New interpretations had apparently been sought in a strange effort to remove Brazil from Argentina's group which would have three South American teams.

Goodbye Scotland! Stuart Kennedy (1) and keeper Alan Rough foul Dutch player John Rep inside the penalty area for the goal which put Scotland out of the Cup. Rensenbrink scored from the spot to leave Scotland winning 3-2 but needing 3 clear goals advantage to qualify.

If this had been done, despite the clear cut rules, FIFA would have had to face charges of amateurish tampering with the regulations.

Group A, playing in Buenos Aires and Cordoba is murderously tough, at least on paper, but I begin to lean more and more towards Italy who have yet to put a foot wrong.

If they can get past Germany on Wednesday, I expect them to reach the final on June 25.

After 24 matches and the 1000th World Cup goal being scored courtesy of a Robby Rensenbrink penalty against Scotland, it is still impossible to detect a logical Cup favourite.

Germans, Dutch, Poles and Brazilians are far from over impressive and this really leaves Argentina and Italy as the main contenders.

Nor have we so far seen the emergence of a super star in the Pele, Bobby Charlton or Beckenbauer mould.

Certainly there are hosts of outstanding players, but no one as yet has been able to steal the show.

Perhaps if I had to pick out one player it would be Roberto Bettega of Italy, but he will have to carry his team through to the winners rostrum on Final Day to gain the general acclaim of the world.

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Easts Hakoah 1 (1) — Newcastle 0

ES HAKOAH: Clarke 3, Mullen 3, Thomson 3, Mowbray 3, O'Connor 3, Simao 2 (Smith: 65m), Watson 4, Barnes 4, Campbell 4, Souness 4, Silva 3.

NEWCASTLE: **Dando** 6, Willis 3, Curran 3, Mason 3, Summerscales 3, Drinkwater 2, Hardes 3 (Amey: 80m), Mountford 3, Boden 3, Johnston 4, Galpin 3.

Goals: 1-0 Campbell (16m). **Referee:** R. Lorenc. **Crowd:** 4725 (double header). **Caution:** Mountford.

This was a strange match. Neither side really dominated in attack, yet there was plenty of action in front of goal and numerous good chances. Hakoah especially were eager to pepper Newcastle's goal with long range shots, as both Barnes and Souness proved, but they found Dando in superb form. In the first period he saved a great shot from Barnes, then in the second half saved two certain goals from curving volleys by Ian Souness. Ironically it had been a soft shot which beat him early in the game when Campbell gratefully accepted a horrid backpass from Roy "own goal" Drinkwater to slip the ball home from 10 metres. Newcastle looked decidedly jaded in the second period, and apart from a few runs by Johnston and Curran showed little force. Boden was far too ponderous and gave Hakoah defenders plenty of time to charge down his few shots. In the last 10 minutes they managed to rally, but for all Galpin's dash on the wing there was nobody in the middle. Hakoah took the second half too easily, feeling quite secure, and luckily for them managed to survive with both points.

— S. DETTRE

West. Suburbs 2 (0) — Syd. Olympic 2 (2)

WESTS: Lachowicz 4, Skellern 4, Ankudinoff 3, Samuels 4, Turnbull 3, O'Donnell 3, Harding 3, **Stone** 6, **Scott** 5, **Eaton** 5, Rowden 4.

OLYMPIC: Karakostas 4, Constantinou 3, Cross 3, Wilson 3, Mcintosh 4, Jamieson 4, **Laing** 5, Stravopoulos 4, **Pirie** 5, Davourlis 4 (Raskopoulos: 62m), **Ainslie 5.**

Goals: 0-1 Pirie (21m), 0-2 Laing (24m), 1-2 Stone (51m), 2-2 Eaton (78m). **Crowd:** 4725 (double header). **Cautions:** Ankudinoff, Scott, Laing.

Gimmicks such as bands, marching girls and athletic meetings would be of secondary importance in bringing back the football fans if each week soccer could be played as both Wests and Olympic did on a drab and cold afternoon at Wentworth Park. Both sides threw off the worries of past weeks; the poor form, the bad results, and put everything into attack for 90 minutes. Olympic started the trend when they scored two goals in the space of three minutes early in the first half, but not before high drama when the Greeks' Scottish idol Billy Pirie hit a weakly taken penalty into Lachowicz's arms. Pirie was far more aggressive after that miss and got totally absorbed in the match, scoring one and setting up the other when his header rebounded for Laing to poke it home. Wests, stunned by Olympic in the first half hour, were brilliantly pushed forward by Peter Stone, playing with aggression, speed and flair, and their two goals were no surprise. The second half in fact was full of incidents, with Olympic creating some spectacular flowing moves that were unfortunate not to be finished off by the glorious left foot of Alan Ainslie. Wests, in Stone, Eaton and Scott, also had some fine moves which all highlighted a thoroughly enjoyable match.

— S. DETTRE

Brisbane City 1 (1) — Fitzroy 1 (0)

CITY: Wishart 3, Iozelli 4, Tokesi 3, **Perry** 5, Kibbey 3, Gaffney (Coyne 46) 4, Echeverria 4 (Johnson 75), Caldwell 4, Marley 3, Connor 4.

FITZROY: **Blasby** 5, McMillan 4, Provan 3, O'Reilly 4, Bannon 4, Taylor 3, **Campbell** 5, Bozikas 4, Micevski 3, **Buljevic** 5, Rakovatis 3.

Goals: 1-0, Caldwell (pen 36m), 1-1 Campbell (55m) **Referee:** D. Nugent. **Crowd:** 3100. **Cautions:** Buljevic.

In a game reminscent of their great cup battles of 1977, City gave the conquerers of Marconi the fright of their lives. Fitzroy, minus Cole and Tansey understandably took their time in settling into a new formation and City in their true up and at 'em style tried to take advantage of the situation. But always they found old enemy Peter Blasby, who appears to keep his best form for Perry Park and City in particular, in great form. The lanky goalie had four or five magnificent saves and these helped to turn the tide for the Melbourne boys. After the break, when City led by a Caldwell penalty goal, Fitzroy began to come more and more into the match and were aided by injury to Gaffney and Echeverria's substitution, none of the replacements having the impact on the game that these two had had. Campbell, a clever little player, had a shot headed off the line and skipper Bannon's attempt met the same fate but finally Campbell got what he deserved, when he hammered a shot under Wishart into the net. Fitzroy now piled into City, Buljevic and Bozikas looking very dangerous but City managed to hold on for a point which, on their first half showing they deserved. A hard exciting contest that was a good advert for soccer.

— J. Binnie.

Marconi 3 (1) — Brisbane Lions 1 (0)

MARCONI: Maher 4, Brogan 3, Degney 4, Russell 3, **Prskaljo** 5, **Richards** 5, Jankovics 4, **Vieri** 5, Rooney 4, Mariani 3, Sharne 4.

LIONS: Lownds 4, Potter 3, **Hermiston** 5, Bennett 4, Niven 3, Neale 3, Spearritt 3, Laslo 3 (Ontong: 61m), Hughes 3, Morris 4, Wilson 3.

Goals: 1-0 Wilson o.g. (14m), 1-1 Morris (59m), 2-1 Neale 0.g. (80m), 3-1 Vieri pen. (87m). **Referee:** T. Davies. **Crowd:** 3461. **Caution:** Richards.

As might be expected, Marconi coach Rale Rasic's trip to Brisbane to see the Lions-Footscray match on Queens Birthday brought its dividend. No doubt Rasic was quite sure that his only real threat came from Lions' winger Geoff Morris, so being without Garry Byrne on the day and with Barry Jones still injured, he switched left-back Paul Degney to take Morris and young Peter Brogan handled the other side. On one of the few occasions Morris fought clear he brilliantly headed Lions' only goal. It came in the 59th minute when Marconi were one ahead. Paul Laslo's corner was headed on by Col Bennett, and Morris stuck it out of reach of Allan Maher's clawing hands. Marconi's first goal came from sustained pressure with Rooney hooking the ball close in and Leon Wilson goaled it for the opposition. The second, which put Marconi back into the lead with 10 minutes remaining, also came from an own goal. Peter Sharne broke through to the bye-line, John Neale left Mark Jankovics in a bid to cover, but he cut the ball into his own net. The third goal was scored from the spot by Roberto Vieri, who gave Nigel Lownds no chance. Jankovics lifted the ball over Lownds. Col Bennett charged into the goal and was convicted by referee Tim Davies of handling although he certainly appeared to knock the ball clear with his head. The foundation of Marconi's win was well and truly laid by Ivo Prskaljo, Ray Richards and Vieri, with Jimmy Rooney chipping in as well. The rest of the team did well, but there is no substitute for craft. The loss brought to an end Lions' run of 9 premiership and one cup game without a loss, even if six draws were involved. Marconi considered themselves unlucky not to have been awarded a penalty, but in these cases too much pressure should not be put on referees who make honest on the spot judgments.

— K. GILMOUR

West Adelaide 2(1) — Canberra City 0

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 4, Tymczyszyn 4, Reynolds 4, McGachey 4, Kambas 3, Bozanic 4, **Boyle** 5, Pillans 4 (Koulianos; 71m), Norris 3, Honeyman 4, McGregor 3.

CANBERRA CITY: Tilsed 3, Moulis 4, Marinello 4, Henderson 4, Stark 3, Parker 4, Hogg 4, Gruicic 4, Kawaleva 3, Byrne 4, Brown 3.

Goals: 1-0 McGregor (28 m), 2-0 Norris (90 m). **Referee:** R. Kerr. **Crowd:** 4,380. **Cautions:** Henderson.

It was a long time between goals for Westad as they recorded their sixth successive win to remain firmly entrenched in second position on the PSL table.

There was in fact a time lapse of 62 minutes between West's first and second goals — 62 minutes of suspense as the supporters were kept pondering if Canberra would notch an equaliser or if Westad would grab an insurance goal.

West finally deserved their success, but it was not one of their polished efforts.

Too often they were bogged down in the mid-field and too often they crowded the centre in the penalty area instead of making use of the flanks.

Many of the faults were remedied in the second half but the sense of urgency so apparent in other games was missing for lengthy periods.

However, Peter Boyle emerged as West's hero of the hour with another great display of non-stop foraging and bustling.

Boyle's exploits included laying on passes for both of West Adelaide's goals.

The first came after 28 minutes when Boyle dived spectacularly to head a pass to Ian McGregor who snapped the ball truly past Ron Tilsed in the Canberra goal.

Westad and their long suffering supporters had to wait until the final minute for the goal which was to guarantee both points as Boyle climaxed a great run with an accurate pass to Neil McGachey.

The West captain hammered a drive from outside the penalty area which Tilsed spilled and Graham Norris nipped in to clip the ball into the corner of the net.

Canberra made two changes to the side which lost 1-3 to Adelaide City last week, bringing in Terry Byrne and Kenny Kawaleva to replace John Davies, who was required for national team duty, and Jim Cant lost through suspension.

West made one change, recalling Dave Pillans for David Jones who played for an Australian XI against Greece on Sunday.

Pillans was forced to leave the field 10 minutes from full-time suffering from a head gash which required six stitches.

West gave no hint that they might be struggling when they attacked right from the kick-off through Boyle and Barry Reynolds.

Then Ivan Gruicic broke away for Canberra to rifle a shot from just inside the penalty box, but Martyn Crook brought off a good diving save.

Boyle let loose with a screamer which Tilsed tipped over the crossbar at the 16 minute mark, but then their mid-field stagnated and their strikers were bunched in the City penalty area.

A smart interchange between Boyle and McGregor ended as McGregor shot wide after he accepted a return pass to streak into the penalty area.

West concentrated their attacks down the wings from the start of the second half to create chances from Vic Bozanic, Graham Honeyman and McGachey.

West were denied a penalty nine minutes from time when Boyle was floored after he shrugged off a tackle from John Brown, but appeared to be tripped as he cut in to shoot with only Tilsed to beat.

Sth. Melbourne 5 (2) — St. George 2(0)

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Hansen 3, Pye 3, Hatzimanouel 4, Baxter 3, Vaughan 3, Lutton 4, Wright 3, Rogers 4, Cummings 4, Christopoulos 4, Campbell 3.

ST. GEORGE: Coe 3, Utjesenovic 3, M. O'Shea 4, J. O'Shea 4, Harris 3, Grosse 3, Mendez 4, Tonanez 3, Kay 3, Morgan 4, O'Connor 4. Reserves: Hensman. Holmik. Patterson.

Goals: 1-0 Hatzimanouel, 2-0 Cummings, 2-1 Morgan, 2-2 Hensman, 3-2 O'Connor og, 4-2 Rogers, 5-2 Christopoulos. **Crowd:** 4,320.

Despite being shocked by the sudden revival of the Saints which within minutes reduced South Melbourne's lead from 2-0 to a 2-2 draw, the local team managed to score an undisputed runaway win. It was St. George's biggest defeat in recent years and the highest score for the Melbourne team since the start of the Philips League competition. St. George started confidently, but soon it became obvious that Souths star midfielder Bertie Luttonwasmovingin top gear. A doubtful penalty against the Saints was taken by Duncan Cummings, but his kick went over the bar. A few minutes later Wright's accurate cross was headed in for the first goal by South Melbourne defender Margaritas Hatzimanouel. This was followed by another header from Duncan Cummings who beat Martin Coe all the way. The second half started sensationally. O'Connor's cross was covered by John Hansen, but he dropped the ball in front of Neville Morgan who made no mistake.

Saints stormed again and Hensman got one back within minutes, but that unexpected triumph didn't last long. It turned soon into depression when Phil O'Connor while trying desperately to clear the ball shot into his own net. This was followed within minutes by Billy Rogers goal and the match was sealed when George Christopoulos scored after impressive work by Duncan Cummings.

— S. KALUS

Newcastle

From Myles Hay

NEWCASTLE KB v AUSTRALIA XI 3-2

Goals of vintage quality thrilled a crowd in excess of 6,000 when Newcastle United held off a late challenge from Jim Shoulder's Australian select to win 3-2.

Played in the intimate surroundings of the compact Crystal Palace under floodlights, the Newcastle players appeared to relish the close contact with their followers.

Ace striker Ken Boden remarked after the match that the atmosphere at the packed ground brought out something extra from the team.

Boden mesmerised the Australian defence in the first half with a glorious individual goal.

He picked up the ball and in a typical close jaunting maneouvre weaved his way past three defenders before applying the coup de grace with a delicately placed shot wide of goalkeeper Allan Maher.

Minutes before a classic effort by Slav Catalovski had given Newcatle the lead.

A defence splitting clearance from Bill Summerscales saw Craig Mason head the ball into the path of Catalovski. Chesting the ball down with split second control he advanced three paces into the penalty area and unleashed a lightning bolt drive.

Not to be overshadowed by Newcastle's two fine goals in the opening period, Hakoah's Murray Barnes reduced the arrears with the first of his two counters.

Newcastle again gained a two goal advantage when Summerscales forced the ball over the goal line during a corner kick scrimmage, before Barnes ripped a great shot past Ossie Bellamy midway through the second half.

Newcastle were without regulars Phil Dando, Craig Johnston and Bob Mountford, though their replacements acquitted themselves well.

Midfielder Bill Amey returned after a long absence with leg hamstring trouble but was replaced in the second half by John Sneddon.

Newcastle KB United 3 (S. Catalovski, K. Boden, W. Summerscales) beat **Australia XI** 2, (Barnes 2), at Crystal Palace, Wallsend. **Crowd:** 6,102 (under floodlights).

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Overcome Cup delays

The soccer public should demand that the deferred Marconi-Croatia Philips Cup tie be played immediately and preferably at Sydney Sports Ground or Marconi Oval next Wednesday night.

The match has all the ingredients necessary to provide one of the highlights of the Sydney season.

The fans are sick of postponements, for whatever reason.

Such a decision would involve a stand down by Auburn, who are in the right frame of mind to challenge Croatia that night in a State League fixture.

However, it is about time that some statesmanship is exhibited so that football can replace an uninteresting deferment saga.

Both Croatia and Marconi say they have been ready to play . . . Croatia blame Marconi for not playing . . . Marconi blames Croatia . . . the NSW Federation is unhappy with the Philips League or the ASF . . . and the League points to the NSW Federation.

Commonsense dictates that the match should be played before Croatia leaves for their American tour.

This will pump interest into a clear draw for second round matches, which are due to be completed in July.

Meanwhile the St George Souths (Queensland) and Brisbane City clash was to take place at Perry Park last night (Wednesday).

PHILIPS LEAGUE TABLE

In brackets: Last week's placings	AGGREGATE							HOME							AWAY						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
1 (1) MARCONI	15	10	4	1	35	14	24	8	7	1	—	25	9	15	7	3	3	1	10	5	9
2 (2) WEST ADELAIDE	15	9	2	4	22	16	20	7	4	—	3	13	10	8	8	5	2	1	9	6	12
3 (3) EASTS HAKOAH	15	7	4	4	29	16	18	8	4	2	2	13	6	10	7	3	2	2	16	10	8
4 (4) SOUTH MELBOURNE	15	6	6	3	21	15	18	8	3	3	2	12	9	9	7	3	3	1	9	6	9
5 (6) FITZROY	15	5	6	4	21	21	16	7	4	2	1	12	6	10	8	1	4	3	9	15	6
6 (5) BRISBANE LIONS	15	4	8	3	20	21	16	7	1	5	1	7	8	7	8	3	3	2	13	13	9
7 (7) WESTERN SUBURBS	15	5	5	5	26	27	15	8	3	4	1	14	11	10	7	2	1	4	12	16	5
8 (9) ADELAIDE CITY	15	5	4	6	19	21	14	8	3	2	3	11	9	8	7	2	2	3	8	12	6
9 (8) BRISBANE CITY	15	6	2	7	19	22	14	8	4	1	3	10	9	9	7	2	1	4	9	13	5
10 (10) FOOTSCRAY	15	3	6	6	11	17	12	8	1	2	5	6	11	4	7	2	4	1	5	6	8
11 (11) NEWCASTLE	15	3	6	6	20	28	12	7	1	3	3	10	14	5	8	2	3	3	10	14	7
12 (12) CANBERRA	15	1	9	5	16	24	11	7	—	7	—	10	10	7	8	1	2	5	6	14	4
13 (13) OLYMPIC	15	3	5	7	17	26	11	7	1	2	4	8	11	4	8	2	3	3	9	15	7
14 (14) ST. GEORGE	15	4	1	10	17	25	9	7	3	—	4	9	10	6	8	1	1	6	6	12	3

PHILIPS LEAGUE '78

BONANZA WEEKEND TIPPED FOR GOALS

Top billing this week would certainly have to go to the Fitzroy-Easts Hakoah clash at Olympic Park on Sunday.

Fitzroy's onward rush was halted temporarily last week when Brisbane City snatched a point, something of a let-down after the demolition of Marconi the previous week.

Hakoah, playing well within themselves, coasted through the second half against a lethargic Newcastle to register yet another victory, and set the scene for a titanic battle.

With such explosive forwards as Silva, Souness, Cole, Buljevic and the two Campbells, the jubilant Greek fans should be in for a fine match, with a draw the predicted result.

However, goals are expected to be the big feature of the round.

A rejuvenated Sydney Olympic take on the mighty Westad this week in what could be a great game in front of a good crowd.

Admittedly Olympic must be kicking themselves for allowing Wests to equalise last week after being two nil up, but with a little work on the back line that problem can be rectified.

Olympic looked most stylish in attack, with both Stravopolis and Ainslie orchestrating things in midfield, and Pirie and Laing firing in the forward line.

Westad will have a hard time on their hands if they take Olympic too lightly, for the Adelaide team's defence is not the most watertight.

In fact, Westad's defence is really only known for its attackers, with Tymczyszym, Reynolds, McGachie and Kambas all willing to venture forward and help up front.

However it is exactly this attacking "fever" which has pushed Westad all the way up the ladder, and so another bout of attacking football is on the cards, with possibly Westad having the ability to edge out Olympic by a goal or two.

—o—

Marconi suffered some heart flutters last week against a powerful Lions but luck held out for them and two own goals and a penalty enabled Marconi to remain four points clear at the top.

This week they face a demoralised and dejected Footscray, who have gone from bad to worse, and who have been deserted by their once loyal and numerous supporters.

Anything but a convincing win for Marconi could be taken as a failure, for unless a minor miracle strikes for "Plavi" they have little hope of making the top four, and thus have little to fight for this season.

With Richards, Rooney and Marconi's answer to Bettega, Vieri all firing now, the Bossley Park crowd should see a few goals at least.

—o—

Newcastle takes on South Melbourne this week at home, and will hope to make amends to their loyal followers by producing a victory to erase the memory of their apathetic showing against Hakoah.

The usually nippy Kenny Boden was rather dull last week, and both Galpin and Hardes only occasionally showed their skill in attack.

South Melbourne on the other hand are fresh from a decisive victory over tailenders St. George, who are now two points clear at the bottom.

After scoring five goals last week the Melbourne strikers' appetite must have been whetted, so unless there is some drastic restructuring in Newcastle's defence, they could be in for a torrid time.

Drinkwater undoubtedly must be a bundle of nerves every time he gets the ball, and to have such an unsteady link in the defence week after week is only inviting trouble.

A comfortable South Melbourne victory is my tip.

—o—

The "battle of the bottom" is the only way to describe the Canberra-St. George match at the Bruce Stadium on Saturday.

Both sides are now in the absolute "pits", having suffered a string of defeats and draws that have left them well clear of the upper echelons of the league.

The match will also see former Australian captain Johnny Warren front up to the man who gave him that job in the national team, Joe Vlasits, as these two great names now control the two struggling sides.

Saints will undoubtedly be out to prove something against Canberra, as there is a strange, undefined rivalry between the two clubs, built up over the past two years.

Canberra desperately want to get their first home win of the season, and if they can't do it against the bottom team then it is doubtful if they can do it against anyone.

Scoring goals has been a big problem for Canberra, with only one in their two last outings, while at least Saints do create many chances and with an improved Morgan up front could cause some damage.

My tip is for yet another draw, though a narrow win to City wouldn't surprise.

—o—

Adelaide City have begun a slow but steady climb up the table in the past four weeks from 11th spot to eighth place, and against Brisbane City they will hope to continue their good run.

It is amazing the effect one player can have, and undoubtedly Dixie Deans has helped the confidence of the City side.

His winner last week was only further proof after the victory over Canberra that Deans is Adelaide's "great white hope", and once again they will be looking for his leadership against Brisbane City.

The Brisbane team pulled off an unexpected shock last week by holding the rampaging Fitzroy to a one all draw, and cannot be totally written off.

However, one feels that Adelaide City's spirit must be riding high and I tip them to beat Brisbane.

Brisbane Lions' lack of a real goal poacher let them down against Marconi last week and could also be a telling factor this Sunday as they take on the hot-and-cold Western Suburbs.

Lions, though managing to pull one back against the leaders, had to rely upon their diminutive striker Geoff Morris for firepower and against the hard Wests' defence one feels he may have a rugged time.

With Peter Stone playing in inspired form against Olympic last week, Wests looked a fine side, and hopefully they can keep up the imaginative football.

If they do they can be assured of a victory, for in both Eaton and Scott they have two great strikers who need only half a chance from their midfield colleagues to snatch a goal.

Lions have a fine defence, on paper, but so far this year it has failed to live up to its high expectations and has conceded an alarming number of goals.

A Wests' victory is on the cards here, even if by the narrowest margin.

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THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

Syd. Olym. v West Adel.	Erskinville, 3pm
Marconi v Footscray	Marconi Oval, 3pm
Newcastle v Sth. Melb.	Int. Sp. Centre, 2.30pm
Canberra v St. George	Bruce Stadium, 3pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

Adel. City v Bris. City	Olym. Sp. Field, 2.30pm
Fitzroy v ES Hakoah	Olympic Park, 3pm
Bris. Lions v West Subs.	Perry Park, 3pm

(Philips Soccer League games in Sydney are being played on Saturday due to the Australian XI versus Greece at Sydney Cricket Ground, 3.00 p.m. Sunday, 18 June, 1978).

NEXT WEEK

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

Canberra v Syd. Olym	Bruce Stad., 3pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

Sth. Melb. v Bris. Lions	Middle Pk., 3pm
West. Subs. v Fitz. Utd.	Wentworth Pk, 1.00pm
ES Hakoah v Footscray	Wentworth Pk., 3.00 pm
St. George v Adel. City	Barton Pk., 3.00pm
West Adel. v Newc. KB Utd	Hindmarsh St., 2.30pm
Bris. City v Marconi	Perry Park, 3.00pm

Vic's quick kicks

The difficulties being expressed by Adelaide City having too many stars is gradually diminishing. Two weeks ago Scottish imports Graham Fyfe and Pat McCluskey returned home. Last week State mid-fielder Henry Kolecki transferred back to his old club Polonia. David Rigby is seeking a transfer, both Beograd and Polonia are interested.

Results of the second round Federation Cup played on June 5, CROATIA 2, AZZURI 1; PARA HILLS 3, WEST TORRENS 1; ADELAIDE CITY (Third Div) 3, SALISBURY 1; CUMBERLAND 2, BEOGRAD 1; VICTORIA 1 LION 0; ADELAIDE UNI 1, SAIT 0; NOARLUNGA 2, POLONIA 1; CAMPBELLTOWN 1, ELIZABETH 0.

Elizabeth City Secretary Brian Ballard is confident that his club has a rosy future. Mr Ballard said this week that youth is the name of the game at Ramsay Park. "This season youngsters like Bryan Aston, Bobby Hunter, Gary Ward, Keith Hughes and Russell Mitchell are all in our first team squad. With this new club policy we will benefit, you'll see". Elizabeth City U/16 colts coached by Brian Dooley have yet to drop a point this season.

The 16,000 record crowd set last July at Hindmarsh Stadium when

Kolecki

Australia played Hong Kong could well be smashed tonight (Wed. 14th), when Australia meets Greece. The Adelaide Permanent Building Society are the official co-sponsors of this match.

Eastern District Azzurri club notices of social activities; Every Friday evening at the ISCA Club, Sydenham Road, Norwood, BINGO NIGHT. The annual "Porchetta Dance" will be held at the Ukrainian Hall, Hindmarsh on Saturday, 8th July. $9 dinner and drinks includes The Miss Azzurri 1978 lottery is now open, first prize a holiday to Italy, tickets $1 from committee members.

A badly torn thigh muscle caused Enfield Victoria to play last week without Bobby Tuffs. The club will also be minus their new signing Jim Giorgines for a few weeks. Giorgines had to be taken to Modbury Hospital with an illness last week.

I could not believe my eyes! Talented Azzurri goal keeper Danny Dibiasi played as a central striker in the reserve match last Saturday — Diabiasi sat on the bench as reserve to David Liddicoat in the senior match.

It's all magic for Cumberland United Club — top of the rothmans first division table and unbeaten in the first round. Last Saturday's win over Croatia marked 198 games for star-midfield specialist John Mason, two off for his life membership. Ace keeper Robert Parks should be back in goals this week against Noarlunga after nursing a knee injury for the past three weeks.

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LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

PARA HILLS 1 (Ostendorf, Williams (Humphreys), Gardiner, Ward, Collins, Muldoon, Toner, Acher (1), Durrant (Hilton), Bell, Duncan) drew with **NOARLUNGA** 1 (Young, Whapplington, Ottaway (Dunn), White, Brown, Cartwright, Wetton, Moore, McArdle, Foy (1), Artis). Reserves, 3-0; Jnrs., 1-0.

ELIZABETH CITY 1 (Brewin, Hines, Bonner, Henderson, Mitchell (Ward), Boyd, Dobbin (1), Evans, Morrison, Hughes (Hill), McGregor) drew with **VICTORIA** 1 (Green, Higgins, Lane, Fyfe, Smitherman, Stuwart (1), Boyle, Warmann, Giorginiss (McNally), Tuffs, Brown, (Hopper). Reserves, 2-0; Jnrs., 0-1.

CUMBERLAND UTD 1 (Charman, Leane, Peterson, Stuart, Ball, Evans (1), Mahoney, Mason, D. Leane, Welsh, Parks) b **CROATIA** 0 (Przybylske, Williams, Ivanov, Hoiland, Kotiar, Thomson (Lapill), Pope, Harrow (Lesan), Jordan, Bendall, Hayes). Reserves, 1-1; Jnrs., 0-1.

ED AZZURRI 3 (Liddicoat, Simione, Corti, Soderini, Affede, Marusic, Serafini (1), Alder, Iannace, Smyte (1), Barone, Russo (1) b **USC LION** 0 (Naido, Howlett, Nyskohus, Tennant, Middleton, Booth, Kavalcentim, Jacob, Kowalski, Caggiano, Bradley). Reserves, 0-1; Jnrs., 1-1.

POLONIA ADELAIDE 0 (Jacques, Kolecki, M. Kolecki, Msyca, Stanczai, Dibartolo, Pettit (Dooley), Poloczek, Kosmina (Giannas), Kritikos, Cabenaro) drew with **BEOGRAD** 0 (Flecknor, Jankovic (Sale), Wickstein, Maricic, Kleut, Harwood, Tsentidis, Bojzcuk, Kamleitner, Santrac, P. Jankovic (Jurkovic). Reserves, 1-1; Jnrs., 4-0.

SECOND DIVISION: Pt. Adelaide 1 (Caiandaris) **Westfields** 1 (MacKenna); Reserves 1-2, Jnrs. 3-1. **Birkalla** 1 (Francis) **Campbelltown** 1 (Booth); Reserves 1-2, Jnrs. 1-0. **Modbury** 1 (Phelan) **Orange Sturt** 2 (Staley, Lukie); Reserves 1-1, Jnrs. 5-0. **Don Largs** 0 **Windsor Athletic** 3 (Kelso, Bryant, Pouiten); Reserves 1-1, Jnrs. 4-2. **Salisbury United** 0 **South Adelaide** 0; Reserves 1-1, Jnrs. 2-0.

THIRD DIVISION: West Adelaide 3 **Saiot** 0; Reserves 2-0, Jnrs. 5-0. **Brighton City** 3 **Flinders University** 1; Reserves 0-1, Jnrs. 3-0. **Noarlunga City** 1 **Adelaide City** 1; Reserves 1-4, Jnrs. 1-3. **West Torrens** 1 **Adelaide University** 1; Reserves 2-4, Jnrs. 0-2.

FIRST DIVISION

Seniors	W	D	L	F	A	P
Cumberland Utd	7	2	—	17	6	16
Croatia	4	2	3	16	9	10
Enfield Victoria	3	4	2	15	12	10
Elizabeth City	3	4	2	8	7	10
ED Azzurri	4	1	4	13	10	9
Para Hills	3	3	3	10	12	9
Polonia Adelaide	3	2	4	10	15	8
Noarlunga United	2	3	4	11	14	7
USC Lion	2	3	4	9	16	7
Beograd Woodville	1	2	6	8	16	4
Reserves						
Elizabeth City	7	1	1	26	8	15
Polonia Adelaide	7	1	1	17	7	15
Begrad Woodville	4	3	2	16	14	11
Para Hills	4	1	4	11	10	9
Cumberland Utd	3	2	4	10	12	8
USC Lion	2	4	3	10	16	8
Enfield Victoria	3	1	5	7	11	7
Noarlunga United	2	3	4	5	9	7
Croatia	1	5	3	9	14	7
ED Azzurri	1	1	7	6	16	3
Juniors						
Polonia Adelaide	8	1	—	33	6	17
Para Hills	5	3	1	16	7	13
ED Azzurri	6	1	2	15	7	13
Beograd Woodville	5	1	3	25	21	11
Enfield Victoria	4	2	3	12	12	10
Noarlunga United	3	1	5	11	14	7
Croatia	3	—	6	6	17	6
Cumberland Utd	2	1	6	8	17	5
USC Lion	2	1	6	11	24	5
Elizabeth City	1	1	7	9	21	3

SECOND DIVISION

Seniors	W	D	L	F	A	P
Camp'town Budapest	6	3	—	17	9	15
Port Adelaide	6	2	1	26	7	14
West Fields APAC	5	4	—	17	8	14
Birkalla Rovers	5	2	2	20	9	12
Orange Sturt Utd	4	2	3	12	16	10
Windsor Athletic	3	3	3	8	8	9
Modbury	2	2	5	10	13	6
Don Largs United	2	—	7	9	19	4
Salisbury United	1	1	7	4	15	3
South Adelaide	1	1	7	1	20	3
Reserves						
Camp'town Budapest	9	—	—	23	5	18
Birkalla Rovers	5	3	1	20	8	13
West Fields APAC	5	2	2	12	9	12
Windsor Athletic	4	1	4	11	10	9
Orange Sturt Utd	3	3	3	10	9	9
Port Adelaide	4	1	4	13	14	9
Modbury	2	3	4	10	11	7
Don Largs United	2	2	5	8	12	6
South Adelaide	1	3	5	11	22	5
Salisbury United	—	2	7	8	26	2
Juniors						
Salisbury United	8	—	1	34	7	16
West Fields APAC	7	—	2	31	9	14
Port Adelaide	6	1	2	20	5	13
Birkalla Rovers	5	1	3	29	17	11
Camp'town Budapest	5	1	3	22	11	11
Modbury	5	1	3	24	20	11
South Adelaide	3	—	6	14	23	6
Don Largs United	1	3	5	11	27	5
Windsor Athletic	1	—	8	8	45	2
Orange Sturt Utd	—	1	8	3	32	1

THIRD DIVISION

Seniors	W	D	L	F	A	P
Adelaide City	6	1	—	23	6	13
West Adelaide	5	—	2	30	10	10
Noarlunga City	4	2	1	17	11	10
West Torrens	4	1	2	15	10	9
SAIT	2	1	4	7	12	5
Adelaide Uni	1	2	4	9	20	4
Flinders Uni	1	1	5	5	21	3
Brighton City	1	—	6	8	24	2
Reserves						
Adelaide City	6	1	—	22	6	13
Noarlunga City	4	2	1	11	7	10
West Adelaide	4	1	2	11	6	9
SAIT	3	2	2	5	6	8
Adelaide Uni	3	1	3	13	12	7
West Torrens	2	1	4	10	10	5
Brighton City	1	2	4	6	10	4
Flinders Uni	—	—	7	1	22	—
Juniors						
West Adelaide	6	1	—	36	2	13
Adelaide City	5	2	—	27	6	12
SAIT	4	1	2	21	11	9
Adelaide Uni	4	1	2	18	10	9
Noarlunga City	3	—	4	18	16	6
Brighton City	2	1	4	16	23	5
West Torrens	1	—	6	18	25	2
Flinders Uni	—	—	7	3	54	—

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Orange Sturt Utd	8	1	—	29	1	17
Adel Uni Black	7	1	1	24	10	15
Torrens Blue	7	—	2	44	5	14
Italian Students	7	—	2	31	13	14
SAIT	3	3	3	22	16	9
Graduates	4	1	4	12	16	9
Sturt CAE	3	2	4	19	18	8
Adel Uni White	3	2	4	14	23	8
Adel Uni Red	2	4	3	10	21	8
Torrens Gold	1	1	7	11	26	3
Adel Uni Blue	—	3	6	3	24	3
Flinders Uni	—	—	9	8	54	—

S.A. ROTHMANS STATE LEAGUE

THIS WEEK

FIRST DIVISION

Polonia Adelaide v Cumberland Utd	Polonia Reserve
U.S.C. Lion v Enfield Victoria	Hindmarsh
Croatia v Eliz. City	Hanson Reserve
Noarlunga Utd v E.D. Azzurri	Wilf Taylor Res.
Beograd Woodville v Para Hills	Woodville West Res.

SECOND DIVISION

Port Adelaide v Modbury	John Hart Res.
Windsor Ath. v Sth Adel.	T.K. Shutter Res.
Orange Sturt Utd v Salisbury Utd	Mortlock Park
Camp. Budapest v Don Largs Utd	Newtown Sp. Gd.
West Field APAC v Birk. Rovers	PacPherson Soc. Gd.

THIRD DIVISION

Adelaide City v Adelaide Uni	Olympic Sp. Fd.
Flinders Uni v West Torrens	Flinders Uni.
S.A.I.T. v Noarlunga City	Soccer Oval

Rowley-Barker-Upton Cup

Brighton v West Adel.	Kauri Parade Res.

NEXT WEEK

FIRST DIVISION

Cumberland v Para Hills
E.D. Azzurri v Polonia Adelaide
Elizabeth City v Noarlunga
Enfield Victoria v Croatia
USC Lion v Beograd Woodville

SECOND DIVISION

Modbury v Birkalla Rovers
Don Largs Utd v Port Adelaide
Salisbury Utd v Campbelltown Budapest
South Adelaide v Orange Sturt Utd
Windsor Athletic v West Fields APAC

THIRD DIVISION

Noarlunga City v Brighton City
West Torens v S.A.I.T.
Adelaide Uni v Flinders Uni

Challenge Cup

Adelaide City v West Adelaide

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Match details

BRAZIL v AUSTRIA 1-0 (1-0) — Brazil: Leao, Toninno, Oscar, Amarai, Neto Cerezo (Chicao), Batista, Dirceu, Gil, Roberto, Mendonca (Zico). **Austria:** Koncilia, Sara, Obermayer, Pezzey, Breitenberger, Hickersberger (Weber), Prohaska, Krieger (Happich), Kreuz, Kranki, Jara. **Referee:** Wurtz (France). **Goal:** Roberto 40m.

PERU v IRAN 4-1 (3-1) — Peru: Quiroga, Duarte, Manzo, Leguia, Chumpitaz, Diaz, Cueto, Velasquez, Cubillas, Munante, Larosa (Sotil), Oblitas. **Iran:** Hediazi, Nazari, Abdolahi, Allahverdi, Kazerani, Parvin, Sadeghi, Ghasempour, Rowshan (Fariba), Faraki (Jahani), Danaifar. **Referee:** Jarguz (Poland). **Goals:** Velasquez 2m, Cubillas 36m (pen.), Cubillas 39m (pen.), Rowshan 40m, Cubillas 78m.

SPAIN v SWEDEN 1-0 (0-0) — Spain: Miguel-Angel, Marcelino, Olmo (Pirri), Biosca, Sanjose, Leai, Cardenosa, Asensi, Juanito, Santillana, Uria. **Sweden:** Hellstroem, Borg, R. Andersson, Nordqvist, Erlandsson, B. Larsson, L. Larsson, Sjoberg (Linderoth), Nilsson, Nordin, Edstroem (Wendt). **Referee:** Biwersi (W. Germany). **Goal:** Asensi 76m.

SCOTLAND v HOLLAND 3-2 (1-1) — Scotland: Rough, Kennedy, Forsyth, Buchan, Donachie, Souness, Hartford, Gemmil, Dalglish, Jordan, Rioch. **Holland:** Jongbloed, Suurbier, Krol, Rijsbergen (Wildschut), Poortvliet, Neeskens (Boskamp), Janser, R. Kerkhof, Rep, Rensenbrink, W. Kerkhof. **Referee:** Linemayr (Austria). **Goals:** Rensenbrink 34m (pen.), Dalglish 44m, Gemmil 47m (pen.), Gemmil 68m, Rep 70m.

ARGENTINA v FRANCE 2-1 (1-0) — Argentina: Fillol, Alguin, Galvan, Passarella, Tarantini, Ardiles, Gallego, Valencia (Alonso, then Ortiz), Houseman, Luque, Kempes. **France:** Bertrand (Baratelli), Battiston, Lopez, Tresor, Bossis, Bathenay, Michel, Platini, Rocheteau, Lacombe, Six. **Referee:** Duvach (Swiss). **Goals:** Passarella 45m (pen.), Platini 60m, Luque 73m.

POLAND v TUNISIA 1-0 (1-0) — Poland: Tomaszewski, Maculewicz, Szymanowski, Nawalka, Gorgon, Kasperczak, Zmuda, Deyna, Lato, Szarmach (Iwan), Lubanski (Boniek). **Tunisia:** Naili, Dhouib, Jebali, Labidi, Kaabi, Gasmi, Gommidh, Rehaiem, Akid, Dhiab, Lahzami. **Referee:** Martinez (Spain). **Goal:** Lato 42m.

WEST GERMANY v MEXICO 6-0 (4-0) — West Germany: Maier, Vogts, Kaltz, Russmann, Dietz, H. Muller, Bonhof, Fiohe, Rummenigge, Fischer, D. Muller. **Mexico:** Reyes (Moreno), Tena, Ramos, Vazquez, Mendizabal, Delatoree, Zarza (Gomez), Rangel, Sanchez, Martinez, Cuellar. **Referee:** Farouk (Syria). **Goals:** D. Muller 14m, H. Muller 20m, Rumbenigge 37m, Fiohe 44m, Rummenigge 71m, Fiohe 89m.

ITALY v HUNGARY 3-1 (2-0) — Italy: Zoff, Gentile, Bellugi, Scirea, Cabrini (Cuccureddu), Tardelli, Bennetti, Antognoni, Causio, Rossi, Bettega (Graziani). **Hungary:** Meszaros, Martos, Kocsis, Kereki, J. Toth, Csapo, Pinter, Zombori, Pusztai, Fazekas (A. Toth), Nagy (Halasz). **Referee:** Barreto (Uruguay). **Goals:** Rossi 34m, Bettega 35m, Benetti 60m, A. Toth 80m (pen.).

SPAIN v BRAZIL 0-0 — Spain: Miguel-Angel, Marcelino, Miguell (Biosca), Olmo, Alvarez (Guzman), Sanjose, Leai, Asensi, Juanito, Santillana, Cardenosa. **Brazil:** Leao, Nelinho (Gil), Oscar, Amaral, Edinho, Batista, Cerezo, Dirceu, Toninho, Reinaldo, Zico (Mendonca). **Referee:** Gonella (Italy).

AUSTRIA v SWEDEN 1-0 (1-0) — Austria: Konciilia, Sara, Obermayer, Breitenberger, Pezzey, Hickersberger, Prohaska, Kranki, Kreuz, Jara, Krieger (Weber). **Referee:** Corver (Holland). **Goal:** Kranki 42m (pen.).

SCOTLAND v IRAN 1-1 (1-0) — Scotland: Rough, Jardine, Donachie, Burns, Buchan (Forsyth), Gemmil, Macari, Hartford, Dalglish (Harper), Jordan, Robertson. **Iran:** Hedjazi, Nazari, Abdolahi, Kazerani, Eskandarian, Parvin, Ghasempour, Sadeghi, Danaifar (Nayeb-Agha), Faraki (Rowskan). **Referee:** N'Diaye (Senegal). **Goals:** Eskandarian 43m (own goal), Danaifar 60m.

PERU v HOLLAND 0-0 — Peru: Quiroga, Duarte, Manzo, Chumpitaz, Diaz, Velazquez, Munante, Cueto, Cubillas, Oblitas, Larosa (Sotil). **Holland:** Jongbloed, Poortvliet, Krol, Jansen, Haan, R. Kerkhof (Rep), W. Kerkhof, Rensenbrink, Neeskens (Nanninga), Rijsbergen, Suurbier.

FRANCE v HUNGARY 3-1 (3-1) — France: Drospy, Petit, Lopez, Tresor, Janvion, Bracci, Bathenay, Papi (Platini), Berdoll, Rocheteau (Six), Rouyer. **Hungary:** Gujdar, Martos, Kereki, Balint, J. Toth, Nyilasi, Zombori, Pinter, Pusztai, Torocsik, Nagy (Csapo). **Referee:** Coelho (Brazil). **Goals:** Lopez 22m, Berdoll 36m, Zombori 40m, Rocheteau 31m.

ITALY v ARGENTINA 1-0 (0-0) — Italy: Zoff, Bellugi (Cuccureddu), Scirea, Gentile, Cabrini, Antognoni (Zaccarelli), Benetti, Tardelli, Causio, Bettega, Rossi. **Argentina:** Fillol, Galvan, Galiego, Olguin, Tarantini, Passarella, Valencia, Ardiles, Bertoni, Kempes, Ortiz (Houseman). **Referee:** Klein (Israel). **Goal:** Bettega 67m.

POLAND v MEXICO 3-1 (1-0) — Poland: Tomaszewski, Szymanowski, Gorgon, Zmuda, Masztaler, Deyna, Kasperczak, Rudy, Iwan (Lubanski), Boniek, Lato. **Mexico:** Soto, Flores, Cisneros, Gomez, Ayala, Delatoree, Cuellar, Cardenas (Mendizabal), Ortega, Rangel, Sanchez. **Referee:** Nandar (Iran). **Goals:** Boniek 42m, Rangel 51m, Deyna 56m, Boniek 83m.

TUNISIA v WEST GERMANY 0-0 — Tunisia: Naili, Dhouib, Labidi, Jebali, Kaabi, Rehaiem, Gasmi, Gommidh, Dhiab, Lahzami, Akid, (Ben Aziza). **West Germany:** Maier, Vogts, Dietz, Russmann, Kaitz, Bonhof, Fischer, Fiohe, Rummenigge, D. Muller, H. Muller. **Referee:** Orozco (Peru).

STRIKERS FIND TARGET

From Andrew Dettre in Argentina

The match which could be a preview to the World Cup final resulted in a single goal victory to Italy over Argentina.

There was a plentiful supply of goals in the 24 matches over 11 days after the cautious West-Germany scoreless start.

Here are the reports on some of the teams involved in the second round.

With a superb solo effort Roberto Bettega, Prince of Italian soccer crushed Argentina 1-0 in Riverplate stadium.

The brilliant form of the Italians continued in this match where the Argentinians were pushing forward nonstop but with little system.

Both goalies were forced to brilliant saves in a fairly even first half.

After the break the Italians became more cautious yet their counter-attack always spelt danger.

Argentina attacked like a cavalry regiment but their strikers seldom put moves together.

Without injured Lugue in goal Argentina lacked punch as neither the strong Kempes nor tricky Ortiz were able to break through.

Bettega

Bettega played one-two with Rossi in the 68th minute, slipped past Olguin and from 10 metres crashed the ball into the corner.

For the rest of the match the Italians were content to defend as even a draw would have given them the group lead and the right to continue in Buenos Aires.

Argentina pressed but in vain. Several times Kempes Ardiles and then Houseman took theatrical dives but Israeli referee Abraham Klein was unimpressed.

Peru accomplished another great feat by holding mighty Holland to a scoreless draw in Mendoza.

Although Holland had more of the ball, the total football concept floundered on a tight Peruvian defence where Chumpitaz reigned supreme.

In the midfield, veteran Peru striker Cubillas had another great game, outfoxing his Dutch counterparts.

Johannes Neeskens looked jaded and after a slight injury was replaced by Nanninga. Rensenbrink was very closely marked and so the Dutch were restricted to long range shooting by the van der Kerkhof twins as well as Rijsbergen.

Holland relied on speed and quick one-two passing to break through. Peru countered with precise slow passing and a ball holding game.

Argentina struggled badly, though gamely, against France, and won 2-1 only with some refereeing goodwill in Buenos Aires.

In the 9th and 16th minutes France twice came close to scoring through Six and Rocheteau.

Just on half time local hopes were reinforced through an exceptionally benign decision from the Swiss referee Luque barged into the penalty area and swept the ball onto Tressor, France's black captain, and fell, at which the referee gave a penalty.

Captain Passarella did not look the gift horse in the mouth and duly converted.

In the 61st minute Bathenay's shot rebounded from the crossbar and Platini knocked the ball in for the equaliser.

Barely 15 minutes from the end Argentina went into the lead when the aggressive and powerful Luque's left foot shot from 18 metres into the corner.

The last hope for the Tricolors came five minutes later when Six was clearly brought down inside the box but the Swiss referee thought otherwise.

In Cordoba a revitalised West Germany wiped the floor with a weak and amateurish Mexico, winning 6-0.

Right from the beginning the German's put the Mexican goal under seige and two quick goals by Dieter Muller and Hansi Muller set the tone for the game.

Rummenigge scored the third in the 37th minute, and then Fiohe's glorious dipping shot just before half time killed off the Mexican resistance.

In the second half the Germans slowed up but still remained in full control of the match.

Rummenigge added the fifth in the 71st minute and then midfielder Fiohe smashed home the last of the six goals in a one sided encounter.

The German changes for the game had a beneficial result.

Dietz came in for Zimmermann, Rummenigge for Abramczik, Dieter Muller for Beer and the team became much faster and more direct.

One of the heroes of Germany was Hansi Muller, only 21, and improving with every match for this country, and developing into a new star.

Karl-Heinz Rummenigge

MATCH STORIES

Spain labored for a narrow win over the awkward Swedes when they should have won by four goals.

The short Spaniards contrasted sharply with the giant Swedes yet they completely outwitted and outplayed them.

The difference in technique was glaring in the Spaniards favour and they created a dozen chances but missed all except one when captain Asensi swept through alone to score a magnificent goal.

But for goalie Hellstroem Sweden could have suffered an embarrassing defeat.

This Swedish team's only attributes are physical strength and stamina but football wise they are no better than Australia.

Scotland came within a whisker of overpowering Holland in Mendoza but finally had to contend with an odd goal win.

At one stage the Scots led 3-1 and to squeeze Holland from the semi-finalists needed a three-goal win.

Then Rep came to Holland's rescue making it 3-2 and dashing the last of the Scottish hopes.

Scotland fielded for the first time Souness and his partnership with Gemmil in midfield bewildered the slow Dutch.

Graeme Souness

Rensinbrink's penalty goal made it 1-0 for Holland and this was the 1000thgoal scored in World Cups since 1930.

Scotland came back with a superb volleyed goal by Dalglish then soon after halftime Gemmil also scored from a penalty then added a second with a great solo run and perfect lob over the goalie.

This was undoubtedly the best Scottish display and with similar ones they would have had no trouble qualifying.

Jordan and Dalglish tormented the Dutch defence non stop and the team played with verve and spirit.

The Dutch were composed and seemed to worry only about not losing by three goals.

Scotland's revival was too small and too late but at least they salvaged some of their mauled reputation.

With four changes in its line-up Brazil beat Austria 1-0 in Mar Del Plata, and gave an improved display.

In the opening minutes, Konciilia saved two great shots but in the 36th, Roberto's vicious long-range blast dipped into the corner. It was evident the Austrians were anxious to avoid injury as they had already qualified for the second round.

In the second period, the Austrian defence had no trouble holding the slow moving Brazilian attack at bay. Towards the end, the Austrians came close to an equaliser, but Jara's long shot in the 89th minute just missed with goalie Leao stranded.

Had that gone in, Brazil and Spain would have finished dead level in the group and a toss of the coin would have decided the qualifier.

SOCCER WORLD at the WORLD CUP

Two penalties by Cubillas helped Peru to an easy 4-1 win over Iran who conceded a total of four spotkicks in three matches with over zealous tackles.

In the first half a polished Peru outclassed the Iranis who came back only in the second half.

The final score perhaps was slightly exaggerated as the Iranis also had chances and one or two penalties seemed harsh.

Cubillas scored the third goal after a nice movement and with this became top scorer of the first round on five goals.

Italy, playing at times brilliantly, earlier completely outclassed a colourless and disjointed Hungary to win 3-1 and could have made it 6-1.

Once again, as against Argentina, the Hungarians missed the game's first big chance and again it had to fall to Laszlo Nagy.

In the thirteenth minute he beat three defenders, then when only facing goalkeeper Zoff he shot high from 10 metres.

Italy gradually took over with precise passing and confident moving off the ball and began to look like a far superior team.

In the thirty fourth minute a hard Italian shot deflected off a defender and with the goalkeeper going the wrong way Rossi had no trouble in pushing the ball home from 2 metres.

One minute later, Stopper Kocsis allowed the ball to drop behind him inside the box and Bettega simply stepped forward, stole the ball and calmly lifted it into the corner of the net from eight metres.

In the 60th minute the third goal arrived. Rossi on the left wing passed to Bettega, whose square ball was hammered home by Benetti from 20 metres.

Ten minutes from the end Csapo was fouled inside the box and substitute Andras Toth converted the penalty for the consolation goal.

Brazil struggled for ninety minutes against Spain in Mar Del Plata without once looking convincing.

This Brazil is not even a shadow of the poor 1974 team, and even less than those former great sides which captivated millions all over the world.

Their old rhythm and flair is gone, and the improvising ability is reduced to occasional individual tricks.

Even their once famous technical superiority has vanished as Spain matched them in every phase of the game.

Admittedly Rivelino did not play because of an injury but surely the Brazilian reservoir is rich enough to survive the absence of one veteran.

The biggest disappointment to me was the average performance of the celebrated stars Zico, Cerezo and Batista.

Zico, often labelled the white Pele, is a busy clever little player somewhat reminiscent of former Sydney star Alan Westwater.

I'm not saying that he isn't a good player, but you can't compare him to the far better Europeans such as Bettega, Hans Kranki, Rossi, Rensenbrink and others.

What used to characterize Brazilian football, imagination, color and artistry, are largely missing from this team.

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ITALY-ARGENTINA FINAL?

Despite early confusion as to whether Austria's three goals scored was worth more than Brazil's two, the World Cup draw went ahead as scheduled for the semi-final round.

There should be some tremendous matches on Wednesday, as the final eight teams finished almost equally divided on opposite sides of the footballing continent.

So on the assumption that the semi final rounds stay the way they should be we will see some tremendous matches on Wednesday.

In Buenos Aires the two top Europeans, Germany and Italy, will clash, with the certain knowledge that the loser will drop out of the race.

The Italians have been much more impressive, and have handled all kinds of opposition well.

Holland can't be too sure against Austria, as their display against Scotland was devilishly bad.

This is no longer the Holland of 1974, and not just because of the absence of Cruyff.

In Rosario, Argentina is expected to be too fast and pulsating against Poland.

The hosts cannot afford another slip up, and this is most unlikely as the Poles have been only average so far.

In Mendoza, Brazil may have some problems with Peru, who are as good as their results.

With Cubillas as the top scorer of the tournament so far with five goals to his credit, the Brazilians will make a big mistake if they underrate their polished neighbours.

Any team which doesn't have at least three points by Sunday night cannot expect to reach the final.

The match of the day should be Argentina-Brazil in Rosario, but the Holland-Germany tussle in Cordoba won't be too far behind in atmosphere.

This will be the first vital match between the two West Europeans since the 1974 World Cup Final, and they both realise that only one of them can make it to the top, if that, considering Italy's brilliant form.

After the next two match days, I expect in Group A, Italy to lead the field from Germany, while in Group B, Argentina should be poised to achieve their dream of making the June 25 final.

SECOND ROUND GROUPS

GROUP A	GROUP B
ITALY	POLAND
AUSTRIA	PERU
W. GERMANY	ARGENTINA
HOLLAND	BRAZIL

SCHEDULE

GROUP A

JUNE 14: Italy v West Germany. Austria v Holland.
JUNE 18: Italy v Austria, West Germany v Holland.
JUNE 21: Italy v Holland, West Germany v Austria.

GROUP B

JUNE 14: Poland v Argentina, Brazil v Peru.
JUNE 18: Poland v Peru, Argentina v Brazil.
JUNE 21: Poland v Brazil Argentina v Peru.

CUP NEWS

Austria's Johann Krankl, 25, seems certain to join Barcelona at a transfer fee of $700,000, to replace the retired Johan Cryff, Krankl is one of the most accomplished scorers in European soccer and one of the great goals he scored here was against Spain, his future hosts.

After the first two matches, both drawn, Brazilian fans declared coach Claudio Coutinho an unmitigated disaster and in Rio and Sao Paulo streets burned his effigies — the same way they treated 1966 coach Vicente Feola.

President of Argentine Federation Alfredo Cantilo said all members of the squad plus staff attached to the team stand to get 24,000 dollars if they win the World Cup.

Fourteen rowdy Scots were arrested and held for two hours in Cordoba for parading on the streets drunk and carrying insulting signs. Reports say it was a Scottish team photo.

Krankl

Several World Cup coaches will resign shortly: Austria's Senemowitshe, France's Hidalgo, Argentina's Menotti have announced plans to quit. Hungary's Baroti will also resign but this is unlikely to be accepted. "You can't topple statues overnight," one Hungarian journalist told me "and we built Baroti into one."

Mar Del Plata is a delightful vast seaside resort on the Atlantic Coast but in winter is pretty quiet. The expected huge tourist influx never materialised and instead of 50,000 Brazilians, only 4,000 made the trip across the border.

The modern new stadium in Mar Del Plata will be a white elephant after the cup in this non-soccer city. The stadium and all its splendid facilities seem to be on a luxurious scale unwarranted for six matches.

Between matches Mar Del Plata city authorities arranged a huge Asado for all visiting journalists — Asado meaning barbecue in Spanish. Enormous quantities of prime beef and sausages were cooked by Gaucho clad chefs in the courtyard of Chapadmalal luxury complex, 30 km from the city, along the coast. Chapadmalal was built by Evita Peron as a holiday and rest resort for industrial workers and still used for that purpose. However there is no sign anywhere of her name.

Mar Del Plata's large press centre was in Grand Hotel, Provincial Twin Building of Grand Hotel Casino, along esplanade and beachfront. This too like almost everything else, offered every convenience, if not luxury, for pressmen far above Germany's standard four years ago. One's feeling is that the Argentinians overdid facilities in their anxiety to impress and please.

It's a small world alright. In my hotel in Mar Del Plata one of the staff members was the sister of Roberto Echeverria, Brisbane City's Argentine star who hails from this city. She showed me with great pride photos Roberto had sent back to his family from Australia.

Tennis ace Guillermo Villas is also a native of Mar Del Plata, I drove past his superb two-storied villa which for most of the year is deserted, as the Argentine tennis hero travels in search of glory and further fortunes.

Mar Del Plata is not a soccer minded city at all and organisers assigned matches here probably to show visitors this great seaside resort. Undoubtedly it must be one of the best in the world, with a beach miles long in front of luxury hotels, apartments and restaurants, something like Miami or Copacabana. Argentinians say Provincial City of Tucuman would have been a better site from a football viewpoint but lost its case as this city is the notorious spawning ground of Montoneros Guerillas.

Every hotel where accredited journalists are staying is guarded by Police, day and night, inside and outside. Two at the door and three others lounge around inside. In my small motel there were five Brazilians and myself carefully guarded by five Policemen on three shifts.

In the middle of Mundial the Argentine Government lifted its ban on local press, publishing criticism of country in overseas publications. Argentine newspapers also seem to gain more freedom. Last week they published stories of a march of "mad mothers" parading through Buenos Aires demanding to know the whereabouts of missing sons believed to have been detained.

Only three people had the correct result in last weeks World Cup matches in local pools called Prode. Each will win about $600,000.

Argentinian striker Luque has his share of troubles. He injured an arm against France and missed the Italy match and now his brother has been killed in a car smash in Santa Fe.

Holland star Neeskens carried off on a stretcher in the Scotland match with badly injured ribs may miss Wednesday's match.

Sweden manager Georg Ericsson said French referee Würtz in charge of Brazil v Austria match was "pro Brazil", jeopardising Sweden's qualifying chances. Ericsson's accusations are very strange in view of Sweden's pathetic display and then defeat against Spain — at same time when Brazil match was played.

France left on Monday and Hungary on Tuesday to return home after the Cup quest had ended. The Hungarians spent Monday in Buenos Aires, shopping. One player bought ten ladies' handbags. After their poor showing, Customs officials are sure to check them thoroughly at Budapest airport.

Ally McLeod's bubbling spirit has gone. When the Scottish team arrived at Mendoza for the match against Holland he refused to talk to reporters and said he might meet them later at the hotel. All pressmen decided to boycott McLeod later in the day.

COMPLETED FIRST ROUND TABLES

GROUP ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Gd	Pts
Italy	3	3	—	—	6	2	+4	6
Argentina	3	2	—	1	4	3	+1	4
France	3	1	—	2	5	5	0	2
Hungary	3	—	—	3	3	8	-5	—

GROUP TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Gd	Pts
Poland	3	2	1	—	4	1	+3	5
W. Germany	3	1	2	—	6	—	+6	4
Tunisia	3	1	1	1	3	2	+1	3
Mexico	3	—	—	3	2	12	-10	—

GROUP THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Gd	Pts
Austria	3	2	—	1	3	2	+1	4
Brazil	3	1	2	—	2	1	+1	4
Spain	3	1	1	1	2	2	0	3
Sweden	3	—	1	2	1	3	-2	1

GROUP FOUR

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Gd	Pts
Peru	3	2	1	—	7	2	+5	5
Holland	3	1	1	1	5	3	+2	3
Scotland	3	1	1	1	5	6	-1	3
Iran	3	—	1	2	2	8	-6	1

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NSW TABLES

DIV. 1, GRADE 1

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Croatia	12	—	2	32	6	24
Melita	9	—	3	24	12	18
Monaro	6	3	2	21	13	15
Sutherland	6	2	3	14	8	14
Auburn	6	1	4	26	12	13
APIA	5	3	5	15	14	13
Mv. Olympic	5	2	4	15	13	12
Manly	3	5	5	13	27	11
Toongabbie	3	4	5	9	13	10
Yugal	4	1	5	14	19	9
Avala	3	2	6	12	18	8
Granville	2	3	6	9	17	7
Arncliffe	2	2	9	6	25	6
Bankstown	1	2	8	9	22	4

DIV. 1, GRADE 2

Manly	12	1	—	36	5	25
Croatia	10	1	3	33	15	21
Arncliffe	6	4	2	31	8	16
APIA	7	2	3	17	12	16
Granville	6	3	4	20	14	15
Sutherland	6	1	4	35	11	13
Melita	5	2	3	15	15	12
Auburn	5	1	5	23	15	11
Mv. Olympic	4	3	4	15	21	11
Yugal	4	1	7	13	32	9
Toongabbie	2	3	7	15	25	7
Avala	3	—	9	15	29	6
Monaro	1	—	10	7	42	2
Bankstown	—	1	10	7	38	1

DIV. 1, GRADE 3

Manly	9	—	2	30	10	18
Sutherland	7	2	1	24	7	16
Granville	6	2	3	17	11	14
APIA	6	1	4	20	11	13
Arncliffe	4	3	4	17	16	11
Avala	5	1	6	17	25	11
Melita	5	—	5	10	14	10
Croatia	3	4	3	13	14	10
Bankstown	4	2	5	15	18	10
Toongabbie	3	3	5	17	20	9
Yugal	2	4	5	23	23	8
Auburn	1	1	7	5	15	3
Mv. Olympic	2	1	8	4	23	3

DIV. 2, GRADE 1

Ku-ring-gai	10	1	1	39	12	21
Blacktown	9	2	2	34	11	20
Revesby	7	3	2	23	15	17
Uni. of NSW	7	1	5	31	19	15
Polonia	5	5	1	16	12	15
Belmore	5	3	4	18	13	13
Warringah	4	3	6	19	18	11
NS-Inter	3	2	5	14	19	8
Gladesville	2	4	6	18	32	8
Queens Park	3	1	8	18	37	7
Marrickville	1	3	8	11	32	5
Guildford	2	—	8	16	30	4

DIV. 2, GRADE 2

Uni. of NSW	9	2	1	35	15	20
Belmore	9	2	1	28	11	20
Ku-ring-gai	6	4	1	22	15	16
Blacktown	6	3	3	26	18	15
Revesby	5	3	3	22	15	13
Gladesville	5	2	5	25	16	12
Polonia	3	4	4	19	20	10
Marrickville	3	4	5	21	30	10
NS-Inter	3	2	5	16	21	8
Guildford	1	3	6	10	20	5
Warringah	1	3	8	9	26	5
Queens Park	1	2	8	11	32	4

DIV. 2, GRADE 3

Blacktown	10	3	—	35	7	23
Warringah	8	4	1	23	8	20
Belmore	8	4	1	36	8	20
Ku-ring-gai	8	1	2	26	8	17
Gladesville	7	2	3	21	10	16
Polonia	6	1	4	23	13	12
Revesby	4	2	5	23	16	10
NS-Inter	3	1	6	9	20	7
Queens Park	2	1	7	11	23	5
Guildford	2	1	7	11	23	5
Uni. of NSW	2	1	9	13	40	5
Marrickville	—	—	12	6	48	—

DIV. 3, GRADE 1

Nepean	11	1	—	48	15	23
Bathurst	8	2	2	26	11	18
Bondi	6	2	3	25	17	14
Lethbridge	5	2	4	20	17	12
West Ryde	3	5	4	13	16	11
Port Hacking	4	3	4	23	27	11
Yagoona	3	5	4	19	26	11
Riverstone	2	6	4	16	21	10
Dee Why	4	1	7	23	21	9
Lane Cove	3	3	6	15	20	9
Gladesville	2	3	6	14	21	7
Wenty	1	3	8	9	39	5

DIV. 3, GRADE 2

Gladesville	10	—	1	46	11	20
Yagoona	8	2	2	40	15	18
Nepean	6	3	2	26	9	15
Pt. Hacking	7	1	3	30	17	15
Dee Why	4	4	4	19	20	12
Lethbridge	5	1	5	23	17	11
Bathurst	4	3	5	13	28	11
Lane Cove	3	4	4	17	20	10
Bondi	3	2	6	20	28	8
Riverstone	3	2	6	14	42	8
West Ryde	2	1	9	16	30	5
Wenty	1	1	9	6	33	3

All care is taken but no responsibility accepted with these tables. At times referees don't report the match result correctly — or at all — to the Federation and thus throw our tables out of gear.

DIV. 3, GRADE 3

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bondi	8	2	1	35	20	18
Pt. Hacking	6	4	1	27	10	16
Bathurst	7	1	4	30	18	15
Nepean	6	2	3	22	12	14
Wenty	6	2	3	16	9	14
Gladesville	5	3	3	17	17	13
Lane Cove	4	3	4	14	13	11
Dee Why	5	1	6	15	24	11
Lethbridge	3	3	5	18	16	9
Yagoona	2	2	8	22	30	6
Riverstone	1	3	7	6	40	5
West Ryde	1	2	9	12	25	4

DIV. 4, GRADE 1

Baulkham Hills	7	4	—	27	9	18
Sydney Uni.	7	1	3	24	17	15
Campbelltown	5	4	2	23	16	14
Hurstville	6	1	4	25	21	13
Greenwich	5	3	3	18	15	13
Ryde Dist	4	4	3	21	17	12
Ashcroft	5	2	3	18	15	12
Nth. B'town	4	2	4	14	15	10
Artarmon	4	1	6	23	26	9
Padstow Pk.	4	—	6	21	26	8
Fairfield	1	1	8	8	21	3
Holroyd	—	1	10	11	35	1

DIV. 4, GRADE 2

Baulkham Hills	9	1	1	34	8	19
Padstow Pk.	7	2	1	26	12	16
Campbelltown	6	3	2	24	15	15
Ashcroft	5	4	1	24	14	14
Artarmon	5	4	2	25	16	14
Ryde	4	2	5	17	23	10
Fairfield	4	1	5	20	22	9
Hurstville	3	2	6	19	27	8
Greenwich	3	2	6	14	27	8
Nth. B'town.	2	4	4	12	17	8
Holroyd	2	2	6	10	28	6
Sydney Uni.	—	1	10	11	26	1

DIV. 5, GRADE 1

Bonnyrigg	9	1	—	33	12	19
Kingsford	6	3	1	26	10	15
Revesby Rov.	6	1	3	26	15	13
Chelsea	5	1	4	18	17	11
North Ryde	5	—	4	20	24	10
Paddington	3	4	2	17	15	10
Maroubra	3	2	6	17	21	8
Eastwood	2	3	5	14	22	7
North Rocks	2	2	5	14	22	6
Auburn Jrs.	2	1	6	16	22	5
Haberfield	—	1	7	5	28	1

DIV. 5, GRADE 2

Eastwood	7	1	2	23	13	15
Paddington	7	—	2	25	11	14
Kingsford	5	2	3	28	16	12
Auburn Jrs.	5	2	2	27	13	12
North Rocks	5	2	3	24	20	12
Bonnyrigg	5	1	4	24	22	11
Revesby Rov.	4	1	5	15	22	9
Haberfield	3	1	4	14	20	7
North Ryde	3	1	5	21	29	7
Chelsea	2	1	7	17	28	5
Maroubra	1	—	9	12	36	2

DIV. 6, GRADE 1

West Holroyd	9	2	—	29	6	20
East Creek	8	3	—	37	10	19
Concordia	7	2	2	20	12	16
Fairfield West	4	2	3	24	15	10
Pagewood	4	2	3	14	10	10
Prospect	2	5	3	15	19	9
Canley Heights	3	2	5	17	27	8
Hawkesbury	3	1	4	11	17	7
W. St. George	1	4	5	21	30	6
Camden	2	2	7	15	31	6
Macquarie Uni.	2	1	5	17	23	5
Green Valley	1	2	7	19	39	4

DIV. 6, GRADE 2

East Creek	7	3	1	31	13	17
Prospect	7	2	1	23	20	16
Fairfield West	8	—	1	30	18	16
Canley Heights	6	1	3	19	18	13
W. St. George	5	2	4	20	16	12
West Holroyd	4	2	5	15	16	20
Concordia	3	3	4	12	16	9
Camden	3	1	7	16	28	7
Pagewood	3	1	5	15	21	7
Macquarie Uni.	3	—	5	16	11	6
Green Valley	2	—	8	13	29	4
Hawkesbury	—	1	7	7	20	1

DIV. 7, GRADE 1

Maccabi	7	3	1	30	18	17
Edensor	7	2	—	27	11	16
Bankstown Sp.	5	4	1	36	20	14
Chullora	6	2	2	32	14	14
Liverpool	5	3	3	30	17	13
Moorebank	6	1	4	33	24	13
Southern Dists.	4	3	3	29	18	11
Lakemba	3	4	3	22	20	10
South Sydney	2	3	6	15	33	7
Mt. Pritchard	2	—	9	16	35	4
Emu Plains	2	—	9	12	41	4
Greystanes	1	1	9	14	45	3

DIV. 7, GRADE 2

Moorebank	9	1	1	32	15	19
Chullora	8	1	1	39	16	17
Maccabi	7	3	1	30	16	17
Liverpool	5	2	4	20	15	12
Southern Dist.	4	3	3	29	16	11
Edensor	5	1	3	27	15	11
Mt. Pritchard	4	2	5	17	28	10
Bankstown Sp.	5	—	5	24	24	10
Lakemba	4	1	5	19	16	9
Greystanes	2	4	5	21	21	8
Emu Plains	—	1	10	5	37	1
South Sydney	—	1	10	5	50	1

TWO LEADERS SKIP AWAY

— By Charles Spiteri —

Lower placed teams fared well in a topsy turvy week which produced quite a few shock results.

Competition leaders Ku-ring-gai retained their narrow one point lead by the skin of their teeth, while runner-up Blacktown pressed their claims harder with a resounding win over Queens Park.

Guildford, at the bottom of the table, scored a shock win over Gladesville, while the shock that topped them all was the defeat of Polonia by North Sydney Inter.

There will be only a few games on Saturday, featuring a return clash between Polonia and Inter and between Gladesville and Guildford.

Highlights of last weekend's clashes were:

NS-INTER v POLONIA 3-1

Polonia suffered their first defeat of the season at the hands of a very determined NS-Inter.

Despite a bigger share of the ball in the first half, Polonia failed to take advantage and twice came close by hitting the woodwork in a scoreless half.

Five minutes after the interval, Inter were awarded a penalty but Jim O'Rourke failed to convert.

Two quick goals by Corrado Camuglia sent Polonia reeling and although they pulled one back through by Polewski, Bobby Goose sealed the result with a hard drive from outside the penalty area eight minutes from the end.

Feature of the game were great performances by midfielder Billy Millen and goalkeeper Michael Mikolajczyk.

NS-INTER: Mikolajczyk, Schiliro, Denaro, Richards, Henderson, O'Rourke, Goose (1), Mitchell, Millen, Camuglia (2), Trovato (Giunta).

POLONIA: Greenfield, Pesa, Zounis, Lawson, Sherden, Pietrzyk, Svigeli, R. Budini, A. Budini, Svarc (Polewski 1), Woznicka.

UNIVERSITY OF NSW v KU-RING-GAI 2-3

Ku-ring-gai retained their one point lead with a goal in injury time by young midfielder Alan Robertson, his first this season.

It could well be that University beat themselves as they retreated in a defensive pattern as soon as they raced two goals ahead.

Con Carwai opened the score in the 15th minute with an individual effort, racing around one defender before scoring from an acute angle.

Ken Rootsey made it 2-0 in the 30th minute, finishing off a one-two movement with Carwai.

Ku-ring-gai pulled one back just before half-time with a 30 metre shot by Albert Kinsey.

After the interval, Ku-ring-gai came back strongly as University tried to defend and Mick West got the equaliser.

With the game set for a draw, Robertson's goal gave the points to Ku-ring-gai.

UNI OF NSW: Ridings, Graham, Popovic, Stacey, Erhard, P. Kelly, Penally, Kay (Benecke), J. Kelly, Carwai (1) (Hughes), Rootsey (1).

KU-RING-GAI: Ellis, Turner, Hammond, Malone, A. Robertson (1), S. Robertson, West (1), Warton, King, Lyle (Smith), Kinsey (1).

GLADESVILLE v GUILDFORD 2-6

Guildford, at the bottom of the table, shook Gladesville with a six goal barrage at Pioneer Park.

They opened the score in the 10th minute when Fiore connected with a cross from Northcote and hammered it into the net.

From that point they looked all the way winners even though they only led 2-1 at half time.

Their six goals included two penalties by Pat Stacey and others by Steve Moss, Graham Robinson and Graham Hann.

Gladesville scored their goals through Barry Waud and Eddie Lorenc.

GUILDFORD: Picketts, Binns, Fraser, Tracey (2), G. Lowe, C. Lowe, Moss (1), Hann (1), Robertson (1), Fiore (1), Northcote (Christie).

QUEENS PARK v BLACKTOWN 0-5

A hat-trick by big striker Sam Meharg enabled Blacktown to score a convincing win over Queens Park.

Queens Park coach Kaz Kulak took the field for the first time this season but even this did not stop Blacktown, who played one of their best games so far.

Meharg scored the first goal with a header, following a freekick by Alec Gardner 10 minutes before half-time. He scored the second soon after the break — another header following a corner by Joe Ramisch.

He scored his third 15 minutes from the end after Alec Gardner and Joe Ramisch had added another two goals.

Making his debut for Blacktown was John Lee who fitted well in midfield with Gar Thompson, who played another blinder for the winners.

Back in the side was Bruce James, the young goalkeeper who was out with injury for several weeks.

BLACKTOWN: James, Hoff, McCoy, Vincent, Foster, Lee, Thompson (Morras), Gardner (1), Barno, Meharg (3), Ramisch (1).

BELMORE v WARRINGAH 1-1

In another shock Belmore dropped a point against a determined Warringah.

Warringah scored first half-way through the first half when Cliff Pointer gave them the lead from a freekick.

Belmore fought back after the break and within five minutes Bobby Elder hit a rebound into the net after a shot by Garry Frakes was only half stopped by Greg Poulton in the Warringah goal.

Poulton made brilliant saves after the goals and ended up winning the "man of the match award" for Warringah.

BELMORE: Hawthorne, Jensen, Lang, McMullen, Clarke, D. Yaager, J. Yaager (Vergos), Frakes, Elder (1), Parkinson, Townsend.

WARRINGAH: Poulton, Bailey, Raymen, Pointer (1), Morris, Dean, White, Duncan, Roberton, Donnelley (Trotter), Sheaves.

REVESBY v MARRICKVILLE 1-1

The elusive Gordon Mackin did it again by robbing Revesby of a valuable point with a tremendous equalising goal.

Revesby threw everything at Marrickville, particularly in the second half, but it was all in vain as Loonie saved everything.

Greg Byles opened the score for Revesby in the 20th minute when he "bent" the ball around the wall to score a freekick just outside the penalty area.

Out of the blue and against the run of play Mackin broke through to equalise from a cross by John O'Flaherty.

REVESBY: Childs, Adams, Pittman, Copas, Keith Thorpe, Patterson, Byles (1) (Watson), Gill, Vidier, Ken Thorpe, Sculiy.

MARRICKVILLE: Loonie, Windshuttle, Lee (Dionysiou), Pondekas, Clarke, Martin, Gould, J. Mackin, G. Mackin (1), O'Flaherty.

THIS WEEK

SYDNEY DRAWS

THIRD DIVISION

Saturday: Bathurst v Pt Hacking, Bathurst; Dee Why v Gladesville Ravens, Dee Why Oval; Bondi v Nepean, Waverley Oval; Lethbridge v Yagoona, Jersey Road; Lane Cove v Riverstone, Pottery Green; West Ryde v Wenty, Waud S.G.

FOURTH DIVISION

Saturday: Campbelltown v Greenwich, Rangers Road; Holroyd v Ryde, Guildford West SG; Artarmon v Ashcroft, Artarmon Reserve; Baulkham Hills v Sydney University, Horwood Reserve; North Bankstown v Fairfield Kiev, Potts Park; Hurstville Zabreg v Padstown Park, Evatt Park.

FIFTH DIVISION

Saturday: Paddington Spanish v Eastwood, Soccer Centre; Auburn Junrs v Kingsford, Progress Park; Chelsea v Haberfield, Moore Park; North Ryde v North Rocks, North Ryde Oval; Maroubra v Revesby Rovers, Coral Sea Park; Bonnyrigg Eagles, bye.

SIXTH DIVISION

Saturday: Camden v Hawkesbury, Ponderosa Park; Fairfield West v West St George, Parks Reserve; Macquarie University v West Holroyd, Pendle Hill; Prospect County v Pagewood, Endeavour Reserve No. 2; Eastern Creek v Canley Heights, Eastern Creek Park; Concordia v Green Valley, Mahoney Oval.

SEVENTH DIVISION

Saturday: Sydney Maccabi v Southern Districts, Moore Park No. 12; Mt Pritchard v Liverpool, Joe Broad Park; Emu Plains v Lakemba RSC, Emu Plains Park; Bankstown Sports v Greystanes, Condell Park HS; Edensor Park v South Sydney, St Johns Park; Moorebanks v Chullora, Hammondville Park.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

STATE LEAGUE

Mv Olymp v G'ville	3-0	1-0	1-0
Suth. v Arncl.	2-0	2-3	2-1
T'gabbie v Manly	0-1	0-1	1-2
Mon. v Auburn	1-2	1-2	—
APIA v Avala	2-2	2-1	9-0
Yugal v Croatia	0-3	0-3	2-2
Mel. v Banks.	2-0	1-0	0-2

SECOND DIVISION

Revesby v M'ville.	1-1	7-0	3-0
[illegible]	0-5	1-6	0-4
NS-Inter v Polonia	3-1	0-1	1-1
Belmore v Warringah	1-1	3-1	2-2
Uni of NSW v Kur'gai.	2-3	2-2	0-3
Gladesville v G'ford.	2-6	1-1	4-0

THIRD DIVISION

Pt. Hacking v Bondi	2-4	1-1	1-1
Wenty v Dee Why	0-3	1-2	2-1
G'ville v Bathurst	1-5	7-0	2-2
Nepean v Lethbridge	4-1	1-0	1-1
Yagoona v Lane Cove	1-1	3-1	1-2
Riverstone v W. Ryde	1-1	1-0	2-2

FOURTH DIVISION

Fairfield v Hurstville	1-2	3-1	
Padstow Pk v Holroyd	2-1	7-0	
Sydney Uni v Nth B'town	2-4	0-1	
Ryde Dist v C'town	1-4	1-2	
Greenwich v Artarmon	3-1	0-5	
Ashcroft v Baulkham H	1-3	0-1	

FIFTH DIVISION

Bonnyrigg v Nth Ryde	2-1	2-5	
Revesby v Auburn Jnrs	1-1	2-2	
Eastwood v Chelsea	2-1	3-1	
Nth Rocks v Maroubra	1-1	2-0	
Kingsford v Paddington	0-0	0-1	

SIXTH DIVISION

W St George v Camden	3-3	4-2	
Holroyd v Prospect	1-1	2-2	
Hawkesbury v Macq Uni	2-0	1-2	
Pagewood v East Creek	1-1	2-2	
Canley Hts v Concordia	0-1	3-1	
Fairfield v Gr Valley	2-2	4-0	

SEVENTH DIVISION

Lakemba v Bankstown Sp	2-2	2-0	
Greystanes v Edensor Pk	1-2	1-3	
Liverpool v Syd Maccabi	0-3	1-2	
South Dist v Emu Plains	4-0	2-0	
Sth Sydney v Moorebank	0-3	1-3	
Chullora v Mt Pritchard	4-0	6-1	

DIVISION TWO

Brizuela for Scots

Arncliffe Scots surprised by signing South American import Nelson Brizuela from Melita Eagles.

However, Brizuela settled in quickly with the rest of the players and the Scots now have big hopes that their goalscoring rate will undergo a distinct improvement.

In spite of being so close to the bottom of the State League table, the feeling amongst the players is that they can still do a job and fight their way up from their lowly position.

Under coach Ross Warren, the former star Canterbury winger who was for a long time on the coaching staff at St. George, the club this year decided on a complete rebuilding program, and a host of locally produced juniors were introduced into the team.

They went close with both Croatia and APIA, but long-term solutions have, not unexpectedly, created short run problems.

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STATE LEAGUE DETAILS

YUGAL — CROATIA 0-3 (0-1)

It was obvious that Yugal were stunned from the moment that Croatia's Tom Basic slammed his early goal past Andy Mandrides. To their credit they stuck to their guns and weathered a stormy first half as Croatia, led by Atti Abonyi, launched attack after attack. Two minutes after the interval Croatia went further ahead when Abonyi's free kick found the eager boot of Marijan Kovacic, who easily netted from close range. Yugal caused their own downfall with a reluctance to pass the ball and were so often needlessly caught in possession. Croatia looked good with crisper passing and more direct play, and they scored a third in the 85th minute when Kevin Coleman angled the ball past the keeper.

YUGAL: Mandrides 3, Radovac 3, Trkuija 4, Novakovic 3, Prgomelja 3, Cuk 2 (Piper: 39m), Delaney 3, Stamenkovic 3, Purac 3, Tanoski 3, Mihajlovic 3.

CROATIA: Watson 3, R. Russell 3, Cagalj 4, Mullen 3, Smith 3, Basic 3 (J. Russell:58m), Coleman 4, Savor 3, Abonyi 4, Kovacic 3, Sullivan 4.

Goals: 0-1 Basic (3m), 0-2 Kovacic (47m), 0-3 Coleman (85m). **Referee:** D. Rennie. **Crowd:** 2500.

— D. WENDT

MARRICKVILLE — GRANVILLE 3-0 (1-0)

Olympic's impressive 3-0 win over Granville established them as a definite threat for the top four. They have now scored 7 goals in two matches whilst keeping their defence intact. The game was marred by the sending off of Jim Herron in the 85th minute. He was charged by referee Gary Power with serious foul play by punching and knocking down Terry Thomoson. Ross Brown opened the scoring in the 40th minute by converting Thompson's pass, and Jim Bryden netted a second in the 60th. Peter Balafas played well and was very unlucky not to have scored. In the second half Bryden stood out in the forwards and the midfield were also on top with Harry Xipolitas playing extremely well indeed.

MARRICKVILLE: El Zein 3, Nezeritis 3, Shelidrick 4, Penman 3 (Kabie: 64m), H. Xipolitas 4, Williams 4, Belafas 4, Thompson 3, Bryden 4, Katholas 3 (Karaspyros: 77m), Brown 4.

GRANVILLE: Hoare 3, Selfridge 4, Bigland 3, Sands 3 (Scamperle: 83m), Lackey 4, Barker 3, Thomas 3 (Slater: 75m), Bates 3, Herron 1 (sent off 85m), Fraser 3, Waldron 3.

Goals: 1-0 Brown (40m), 2-0 (60m), 3-0 Brown (84m). **Referee:** G. Power. **Crowd:** 654.

— E. DE MESQUITA

TOONGABBIE — MANLY 0-1 (0-1)

Both teams produced some good attacking moves in a match played under slightly drizzling conditions, but poor finishing by both sets of forwards kept the scoring down. In the 20th minute Manly almost scored through Bob Geoghegan, but in the 29th they came with the only goal of the game but there was an element of luck about it. Bob Kaye, who had a great game, put a perfect pass into the Toongabbie goalmouth and Mick Banks capped an error by goalkeeper Peter Freeman and fired the ball over him into the net. After half-time Toongabbie applied strong pressure but Manly held firm. Laurie Parkhouse went close with a header for Toongabbie, and the same player was centimetres over the bar minutes later.

TOONGABBIE: Freeman 3, Taylor 3, Gerlo 3, Oldham 4, Parkhouse 4, Hormazabal 4, Pollard 3, Benito de Valle 3 (Pena: 63m), Izatt 3, Ortega 4, Armytage 3.

MANLY: Cassettari 3, Gosling 2 (Thompson: 52m) (Stuart: 76m), Harpur 3, Dick 3, Stocks 4, **Kaye** 5, Roozendaal 3, Beverley 3, Banks 4, Geoghegan 4, Geekie 3.

Goal: 0-1 Banks (29m). **Referee:** G. King. **Crowd:** 384.

— G. STREETER

APIA — AVALA 2-2 (1-0)

The first half was quiet with little action, but the second was full of go with the ball swinging from end to end. APIA scored first in the 44th minute when Terry Butler prodded the ball home from five metres following Ken Lindsay's free kick. APIA's second came in the 56th when Bob Fryer's cross was superbly met by John Doyle from close in. Eight minutes later Alan Griffiths pulled one back for Avala, who surged forward and collected a deserved equaliser three minutes from time. Griffiths hit a long 30 metre ball, goalkeeper Dave McQuire parried the shot but it went over him and into goal.

APIA: McQuire 4, Pullen 4, McMillan 4, Porter 3, McGinn 3, Doyle 4, Butler 4, Ruiz 3 (Carruthers: 75m), Link 4, Lindsay 4, Griffiths 3. Fryer sub.

AVALA: Ahrens 4, Doran 3 (Milovanovic: 70m), Barton 4, S. Deiler 4, Gray 3, Kasumovic 3, Magill 3, Kodor 3, Patterson 4, Morrow 4 (Beater 4: 63m), Griffiths 4.

Goals: 1-0 Butler (44m), 2-0 Doyle (56m), 2-1 Griffiths (64m), 2-2 Griffiths (87m). **Referee:** B. Wilkinson. **Crowd:** 762.

— D. MURTON

SUTHERLAND — ARNCLIFFE 2-0 (2-0)

Sutherland could have run up an immense score had they carried on with the positive football they showed in the first 20 minutes. Arncliffe are still sadly lacking in method and fire power and it is only the strength and determination of a handful of players at the back who manage to keep the scorelines to a reasonable level. Sutherland's midfield did not dominate this game in their usual fashion, and it was left to the two Halls and Peter Beggs to maintain the pressure up front. Craig Hall assisted by setting up both goals. Sutherland played it out in very relaxed style in the second half, although to some degree the ball did not bounce for them.

SUTHERLAND: Craggs 3, Schumann 3, Wykes 3, Watkiss 2, Dal Forno 3, Meades 3, Beggs 3 (Hammer 87m), Smith 3, C. Hall 3, Basterfield 2, P. Hall 4.

ARNCLIFFE: Kotzohamas 2, Butler 2, Hall 3, Smart 3, Blackburn 4, Harrington 2, Hooper 2 (Martin: 46m) (Armstrong: 80m), Bankhead 2, Muscovits 3, Briquela 3, Baker 2.

Goals: 1-0 Smith (10m), 2-0 Beggs (11m). **Referee:** K. Small. **Crowd:** 1126.

— R. DEWICK

MELITA — BANKSTOWN 2-0 (2-0)

With a better finish and a little more luck Melita would have won this match with a much bigger margin. Despite the score, the Eagles dictated the pace and pattern of play from start to finish. Winger Brian Parker was in one of his best moods taking part in both moves that produced the goals, and whenever he took possession Bankstown were in trouble as the defence couldn't handle his speed. Colin McAusland and Joe Farrugia were on top in midfield giving Melita the lion's share of the ball but the shooting up front was sometimes erratic. Bobby Smith and Joe Farrugia hit the woodwork each time with the keeper out of sight and Terry Greedy in the Bankstown goal did not make it any easier with spectacular saves particularly in the opening stages. Greg Lynch gave Bankstown extra strength in defence but in this game they were still outclassed.

MELITA: Bracklow 4, Ververis 4, Mikas 4, Yamine 3, Huntley 4, Darvill 4, Parker 4, McAusland 4, McGovern 3 (Smith 64m), Farrugia 4, Jones 3 (Sciberras 85m).

BANKSTOWN: Greedy 4, P. Thompson 3, Morrison 3, Lynch 4, Rootsey 3, Trusty 2, McMillan 3 (M. Thompson 50m), Williams 3, Peck 3, Dailey 2 (Ingle 82m), Tansley 3.

Goals: 1-0 McGovern (33m), 2-0 Jones (45m). **Referee:** H. Witschge. **Crowd:** 1275.

— C. Spiteri

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Melita Eagles to test Croatians

NSW STATE LEAGUE

Melita Eagles have a big debt to repay when they face Croatia at Garside Park on Saturday.

— By Keith Gilmour —

In their first round clash Kevin Coleman (2), Atti Abonyi and Peter Mullen combined to hammer in four goals without reply.

This time it could be different.

Melita, under very capable coach Raoul Bianco, who is believed to be on his way to Sydney Olympic, have had a run in which injuries have been minimised.

They are looking extremely sharp, and the result should be extremely close, whichever way it goes.

This week-end three games will be played on Saturday in Sydney, and the other at Queanbeyan on Sunday.

The limited schedule gives an open go to the Australia-Greece clash at Sydney Cricket Ground on Sunday.

Sutherland and Marrickville Olympic at Seymour Shaw Park, Miranda, looks an attractive game, and Auburn meet western district rival Toongabbie at home at Mona Park.

SUTHERLAND v MARRICKVILLE

A good start by improved Olympic could see a deal of pressure going on the Sutherland side, who are slightly favored even though their record is no better than the opposition.

Coach John Xipolitas has been experimenting with his forwards, but if they do not click as they did last week there will be a transfer of trouble to the defence.

Paul Smith has proved his critics entirely wrong since the premiership started.

He is bobbing up everywhere and playing as usefully as ever due to his overwhelming will to win.

Keith Schumann is starting to realise his potential in defence after a just so-so start to the season, followed by injury.

AUBURN v TOONGABBIE

If Auburn loses this match they will be severely penalised in their bid to reach the final four.

Toongabbie is looking somewhat sharper than when they were in the doldrums over a month ago and are quite capable of taking Auburn to a close result.

Peter Freeman in goal and Neil Taylor in defence are playing well, and the club supporters are satisfied that Jimmy Izatt is proving himself more and more.

After all their team changes early in the year Auburn proved that they know how to strengthen a team, and they are looking the part just as they did when they made the semi-finals last year.

I fancy them in what should be an exciting match expecially after their win over Inter Monaro.

MELITA v CROATIA

Former Maltese international forward Joe Farrugia should be fit to help the Eagles fly after suffering a knock on his thigh a fortnight ago.

Farrugia is a player who can take on Australia's best on his day, and his readiness to fulfill his role in attack or midfield will greatly assist Melita's performance.

Andy Huntley and Vernon Darvill are also going well and will relish the chance to upset their former club.

Croatia have Bruno Cagali running into real form in defence and Peter Mullen is having one of his best seasons.

Croatia could take the game if Atti Abonyi can find anough room to weave one of his magic spells, but no doubt he will be watched without relaxation.

It all points to a great match, which should produce one of Sydney's biggest Saturday crowds for a very long time indeed.

MONARO v BANKSTOWN

Although Croatia have been taking a little of the shine off Monaro's record, they look good for two points against Bankstown.

Unfortunately they go into the game without the services of Sebastian Giampaolo, who is one of two State League men in the Australian squad against Greece at Sydney Cricket Ground.

Dave Tansley and Dennis Daley are overdue to start cracking in some goals for Bankstown, and if their combination continues to improve then the Monaro defence is due to find the going tough.

Dave Morrison has been a very consistent worker in Bankstown's defence this year, and he has certainly come good since moving from the Sutherland ranks.

ATTI ABONYI AND McGOVERN SHINE

The big new name in State League scoring this season is Ian McGovern, who is equalling former Socceroo Atti Abonyi at the top.

McGovern, an APIA import some years ago, has never knocked them in as well as he has this season.

His ability to turn half chances into goals is responsible in no small measure for Melita Eagles' almost undeniable push for a top four position.

Abonyi is scoring at almost the same rate as he did last year, although the competition is proving much tougher.

Monaro has provided two outstanding scorers in Walti Valeri and Sebastian Giampaolo.

John Doyle (APIA) has moved a little down the list, as have Denis Daley (Bankstown) and Peter Beggs, now with Sutherland but then with Wollongong.

Nick Fenoughty was a sound scorer for Croatia last year, but he decided not to return to Australia from England.

Mick Stephenson transferred his scoring skills over from Arncliffe to Auburn.

Fenoughty's place for Croatia has been taken by Kevin Coleman.

On his day ther is no-one more capable of raining in devastating shots on the opposition.

Topscorers are: Abonyi 10, McGovern 10, W. Valeri 7, K. Coleman 6, M. Stephenson 6, J. Doyle 6, S. Giampaolo 5, J. Izatt 5.

Oceania rolls for Australia

Australia will be back in the Oceania Confederation in October.

This is the certain outcome of Taiwan's resignation from the Confederation, according to Australian Soccer Federation secretery, Brian Le Fevre, who arrived back from the FIFA Congress in Buenos Aires last Friday.

The Australian Federation could not rejoin Oceania whilst Taiwan remained in membership.

Taiwan purports to represent the whole of China, whereas the Australian Government recognised the Peoples Republic of China.

FIFA is likely to give Oceania representation on its executive once it is sure that Australia and New Zealand can work together harmoniously as the major partners, along with Papua-New Guinea and Fiji.

Australia's re-entry was also made possible by the removal of executive officers as voting members of Oceania — now only countries will vote.

Associate members New Caledonia, New Hebrides, Tahiti and later Solomon Islands will have one vote on internal matters as against two for full members.

On the FIFA scene there seems to be no chance that the 1982 World Cup in Spain will go beyond 16 entrants.

Technically the series could be expanded to 20 or even 24 countries, but most nations realise that there is a limit to the time over which the World Cup can be conducted.

And obviously former Hamburg coach Rudi Gutendorf has created quite a hit with ASF president Sir Arthur George and secretary Le Fevre.

Actually Sir Arthur is believed to have been unhappy that Gutendorf's name had become known. The names of many interested parties have been kept silent as Australia is not the only national coaching post for which they have applied.

The appointee, who will become known after the ASF meets in early August, is to receive a $40,000 per annum salary.

His only other duties will be to assist in the National Coaching Scheme without being involved in direct responsibilities for a region.

NSW & Q'LD TO CLASH

The NSW and Queensland Federations are expected to make an early announcement on an interstate clash between the two States.

The date is to be determined but the game will be played midweek at Perry Park, Brisbane.

NSW Federation president Karel Rodny told us: "This will certainly help to cement good relationships between our neighbouring States."

The match was to take place before the Derby County game, and then before the Inter Milan game, both of which were aborted.

The game could draw very well in Brisbane, where the urge to down a team from the south has never been greater.

Players chosen would be drawn from the respective State League competitions, Mr Rodny said.

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THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

FIRST DIVISION

Sutherland v MV Olympic ..... Seymour Shaw
Melita v Croatia ..... Garside Park

SECOND DIVISION

Guildford v Gladesville Hby ..... Guildford Park
Polonia v NS Inter ..... Chopin Park

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

FIRST DIVISION

Monaro v Bankstown ..... Marco Polo

INTERNATIONAL

Australia v Greece ..... S.C.G.

NEXT WEEK

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

FIRST DIVISION

Granville v Inter Monaro ..... Garside Park
Sutherland v Toongabbie ..... Seymour Shaw
Avala v Melita ..... Mona Park

SECOND DIVISION

U.N.S.W. v Marrickville ..... David Philips Field
Belmore v Gladesville Hby ..... Blick Oval

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

FIRST DIVISION

Arncliffe v MV Olympic ..... Hurstville Oval
APIA v Manly ..... Lambert Park
Auburn v Yugal ..... Mona Park
Bankstown v Croatia ..... Soccer Centre

SECOND DIVISION

Revesby v Polonia ..... Milperra Reserve
Ku-ring-gai v Queens Park ..... Parkland Oval
Blacktown Utd v Warringah ..... Francis Park
IS Inter v Guildford ..... venue to be announced

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PSL CLUBS NEED TO BOOST PACE

Remember back to when it was thought that the Philips League would take from three to four years to establish successfully?

Now a five-year term seems a more realistic span.

And it will be necessary to increase the speed and quality of the operation to achieve even that timetable.

These viewpoints come after just 1½ years of experiment and progress.

Space does not permit us to delve too deeply in some aspects of match promotion, but it is true that certain patterns have emerged.

For example, Canberra City and Newcastle United have proved their ability to promote and to interest multi-ethnic communities.

Adelaide City and West Adelaide have struck some rocks, but their potential in grounds, management, public relations and playing strength has been proved.

Brisbane teams Lions and City have so far failed to increase support this year, in spite of a standard of play and administration that Queensland has never enjoyed before.

Greek-orientated South Melbourne and Fitzroy have produced some fine crowds, yet neither has found the key to more general public support.

Footscray have played some attractive football without securing a big enough base for national operations.

Which brings us to the two areas of tremendous challenge — Wollongong and Sydney.

Wollongong soccer interests should be moving quickly to find a way into the Australian League.

They have many, many thousands of potential customers. Newcastle is the example to them of how to strike while the iron is hot, and APIA of the difficulty of moving too late.

Sydney does, however, present a much more complex situation than the Illawarra.

The PSL became a reality due to the sponsorship by Philips, and to the splendid work of St. George, Easts-Hakoah, Western Suburbs, Marconi and Sydney Olympic.

The first-mentioned trio have had successes without mustering the attendances necessary to justify their places.

And the whole enterprise, simply stated, is about people.

Because of the people factor, there needs to be a rationalisation of resources, and pundits are claiming that Sydney can field anything from two to five teams.

It is my belief that, in the medium term, four clubs would be a sensible proposition, two in the city and one each in the western and southern areas.

However, five is the going rate, and as probably no club will vote itself out, amalgamations become a more practicable solution as every day passes.

Sydney could be divided into districts, with a total potential of 600,000-750,000 people per club.

From the city end, Sydney Olympic could become a long term viable concern, to which might be added Sydney City, being an amalgamation of the Hakoah, Wests and APIA interests.

Marconi has proved itself a club of outstanding perception and vision. It could become Liverpool and cover the whole deep south of the Sydney plain.

St. George may need to search out suitable partners to boost its attendances, if promotions alone do not do the trick.

Parramatta should provide the other club, and the only present means of bringing it into being would involve a consortium of Auburn, Melita Eagles, Granville and Toongabbie.

If some move such as this does not occur then the whole west of Sydney will eventually remain a fragmented write-off.

Those who believe that these moves are far-fetched might reflect on the fact that many thought that the Philips League was the same. Today it is reality.

This is the age of new methods, professional promotion, first rate spectator facilities, electronic media, and modern transportation.

Under proper conditions such matches as Sydney City v Liverpool (Marconi), Liverpool v Parramatta, Sydney Olympic v Sydney City, etc., could be vital promotions in a successful national chain.

In 1977 the PSL Paid out $218,000 for air fares, much of which was subsidised by Philips Industries.

Why not price out some match schedules on the North American model, which departs from the direct home and away principle, to see if better results can be obtained at less cost.

The Philips League simply has to get down to more planning at club level.

Such planning would provide the real start, because away beyond even that situation again are the standards to be reached if we are to ultimately have our own Real Madrids, Milans, Liverpools, Cosmos and Hajduks.

—K. Gilmour

CLUB PATROL

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World Cup souvenirs will be available this weekend in Sydney on Saturday at the Marconi-Footscray game and on Sunday at the Australia-Greece clash. The souvenirs have been made available in Australia through Soccer International, in Adelaide, who are the sole Australian licencee.

Belmore club are delighted at the selection of their U15 Federation team to play Marconi at 1.00pm at the SCG on Sunday as a curtain raiser to the Australia-Greece international. It's the initial year for Belmore in the U14, U15 and U16 Federation Junior competition, and follows only their second year in Federation Second Division. Former international Dennis Yaager coaches the U15 group and is well supported by other certified coaches in M. Antinou with the 16s and E. Smith with the 14s.

Raoul Blanco, Melita's keen coach, is expected to take over the reins at Sydney Olympic. He missed out on the job when Olympic changed from Pan Hellenic and entered the Philips League, but the present committee are believed to have him in mind as the best man available. He might well have been appointed to the West Adelaide post, but he could not obtain a transfer in his employment.

It is rumored that one State League club is considering a permanent appointment of a full-time coach.

Tom Conditsis has been replaced as coach of Polonia. He had come through the ranks as the club's second team coach, having served in the same position at both Guildford and Pan Hellenic.

One Philips League club has its eye on the Yugal player who has not appeared since the start of the year — Branko Karenfilovski. The young winger-midfielder was one of the classy players of the Ampol Cup series.

Secretary of 7th Div. club Southern Districts, Mr J. Blunn, has had the misfortune to spend the last three weeks in Liverpool Hospital. Fortunately he is now well on the recovery road.

Camden, a 6th Div. club, highly recommends the Gledswood Winery for a great club social night. With bar, barbecue and disco, Camden Soccer Club members topped off a great night last Saturday with the secretary's son winning their 100 Club prize of $1000. The Gledswood Winery is on the Hume Highway, Catherine Fields — enquiries 606-6275.

Spectators at 6th Div. West Holroyd v Prospect County matches at Pendle Hill Park last Saturday were treated to the inaugural sounds of West Holroyd's PA system. All team players were announced, and with music at half time, it gave a 1st Div. flavor to the day. Hopefully West Holroyd will continue this and with more experience it should provide invaluable in upgrading club presentation.

The ideal way for a player/coach to celebrate his birthday would be to score five goals for his team. Tony Britton, of 7th Div. club, Liverpool United, did just that last weekend. Congratulations, Tony.

What is it that the following clubs all have in common: Bauikham Hills, Bonnyrigg Eagles, West Holroyd, Eastern Creek and Edensor Park? All have completed their first round without defeat. An excellent performance indeed.

Bonnyrigg Eagles, with a free weekend coming up, have arranged a picnic for all players and families at Picnic Point for this Sunday.

In an endeavour to promote club spirit, 7th Div. Emu Plains have organised a dance-barbecue for July 1 at Melrose Hall, Emu Plains. With 25 teams from Under 6s to Federation, they are expecting a good roll-up for a fun filled night.

Saturday Night Fever has come to Fairfield. Several hundred turned up at 6th Div. Fairfield West Athletic's disco night last Saturday. Coach Tom Gallagher was so impressed at his players' exertion he is considering installing stereo speakers at training.

Fifth Div. Fairfield Kiev, after a bad start to the season, is doing something to improve the situation. After the resignation of coach Richard Parle, first grade captain Nick Cosentine has now been appointed. With this change have come three new players — Robert Harris, from Granville; Charlie Barnes, from Polonia, and Peter Collins, ex Marconi player.

Two players with Hurstville Zagreb are the talk of the club at present. Tom Toljak, the hat-trick man of their match against Greenwich, and Mick Maposin, who unfortunately suffered a fractured shin bone in the match against Sydney University.

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In the 4th Div. Bauikham Hills, with numerous injuries from previous games, fielded four Under 16 players in their reserve grade which gave Ashcroft reserves their first defeat of the Season.

Fifth Div. Ryde District and some players are making full use of the club sponsorship from Fury Ford of Ryde. A player is selected as Player of the Month and the winner receives a dinner outing for two. This month's winner was the club captain, Michael Beakey, while Gary Dando won the award for May.

Ian Hunter, playing with Nepean-Corinthians, is a member of the Australian schoolboys' team for the US-Canada trip later this season. All players will now have to find $300 each plus uniform costs of about $150, so the battle is on to raise the money. If any person would like to assist in some way they could phone the club secretary, Arthur Clarke, on 623-3140. There will be some help in the form of a stall proceeds at Nepean High School.

The Nepean Soccer Club Ltd., situated near Penrith Railway Station, is moving ahead quickly. Already over 1000 members have enrolled.

SECOND DIVISION club secretaries please note: News from your clubs is sought, and will be included in Club Patrol if provided. Contact the above phone number.

NSW State League Champions-elect, Croatia, gained a valuable sponsor last week from, of all places, Adelaide. The sporting goods firm 'Track 1' have provided Croatia's first team squad with a complete sporting outfit of training shoes, boots, and most importantly some dashing red and blue track suits. Croatia will use the goods on their trip to the USA in a few weeks time.

Easts Hakoah report that goalkeeper Todd Clarke has fully recovered from his earlier injury and Terry Smith is coming nicely back into form after his absence. However, Mark Trenter is the latest on the injury list and could be out for a couple of weeks. The club has added Keith Clapham to its transfer list, to join Bobby Smith and Luis de Melo.

Gladesville's second grade goalkeeper Peter Hill was involved in a car smash last week. He is recovering at Hornsby Hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

PSL alter course

The new arrangements for direct appointment of referees by the Philips Soccer League starts next week.

Whilst it will be up to the League to do the grading there will also be full co-operation with the referees.

It must be assumed that the leading referees based on inspectors' and clubs' gradings will receive more appointments than the others.

But will the clubs be satisfied?

At least they should be more frequently than they are at present.

The PSL is in the course of appointing a committee to keep long term aspects of the promotion of the game under close review.

Nominations for the committee are under consideration at present.

The Australian Soccer Federation has been requested to provide a committee member as well.

ABC WORLD CUP COVERAGE

The greatest TV coverage of a World Cup in Australian history — this is what the ABC has arranged for viewers.

DATE:	MATCH:	SHOWN:	REPLAY
June 15	Scotland v Holland	6.00 p.m.	10.00 p.m.
June 18	Runner-up Group 2 plays winner Group 1	6.00 p.m.	10.00 p.m.
June 22	Winner Group 4 plays winner Group 2	6.00 p.m.	10.00 p.m.
June 23	Runner-up Group 4 plays winner Group 1	6.00 p.m.	10.p.m.
June 25	Match for 3rd place (live)	4.00 a.m.	10 p.m.
June 26	World Cup Final (live)	4.00 a.m.	8.30 p.m.

FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES OF
MR JIMMY SHOULDER
National Team Coach of the Australian Soccer Federation.

are invited to attend

A FAREWELL DINNER

in his honour at the

**British Ex-Services Club,
541 Kent St., Sydney**

on Thursday, June 15 (7.45 p.m. for 8 p.m. dinner)

Subscription $10.00 per head for dinner and wine. Tickets will be allocated to the first fifty persons applying.

The remaining tickets may be obtained by calling at the Australian Soccer Federation, 36 Clarence St., Sydney (right at Wynyard Station) or telephoning 29-7025 — today Thurs., June 15.

GREECE DRAWS FIRST BLOOD

An impressive win by the Greek national team has justified their coach's claim that he produced the best team available for the Australian tour.

Colourful striker Ifandidis was the hero of the 26,000 mostly Greek fans who packed Olympic Park, Melbourne for Greece's first game in Australia.

The unpredictable forward kept Australia's defence busy throughout the game.

He scored the two Greek goals and hit the post once in the second half with a blistering long range shot.

A constantly exciting team and well disciplined Greece entertained the thousands of spectators with their fine European style.

Keeping the upper hand in the first half, they failed to get the lead mainly because of Peter Laumets' fine keeping.

Laumets twice had to fly into his upper corner to parry shots away for corners.

Some powerful shots from Kondogeorgakis, Kravitis and Gesios also brought fine saves from the young Victorian keeper.

John Nyskohous almost grabbed the lead in the 25th minute, but the experienced Greek keeper Christidis dashed off his line forcing the Aussie striker to shoot wide.

The second half performances by the Australian side started worrying the Greek superstars.

Nyskohous combined with Picoane on several occasions, but their shots went wide.

In the 59th minute Davies replaced Picioane who up until that time had been the heart of the midfield.

Gary Cole silenced the 26,000 spectators when he scored in the 62nd minute.

J. Nyskohus

Jones seemed to bring the ball down with his hand and the Greek defence stopped, allowing Cole to break through and score from close range.

Only a minute later Ifandidis initiated a move from his own penalty area, broke through the Australian defence and netted the equaliser.

In the 67th minute Ziakos replaced Karavitis and Alexiadis replaced Gesios.

The two newcomers added spirit to the tiring Greek side.

In the 75th minute Steve Kokosa replaced David Jones, while John Christopoulos replaced Stevenson.

But the Greeks continued to put the Australian defence under great pressure, looking for their second goal.

If finally came in the 78th minute by Ifandidis again, who a minute before had hit the post, but this time made no mistake much to the delight fo the partisian crowd.

GOALIE SAYS HOLD THE BALL

Ray Clemence's doubts about the handling of Continental and South American goalkeepers in an interview before the opening match of the World Cup, have so far proved correct.

"Continental goalkeepers tend to be trained to push the ball away, even when they have a clear view of it.

"In England the tendency is to hold everything if possible, and then if you can't get a fix on it, either punch it hard or push it around the post," was his comment after being asked about the European's standard of goalkeeping.

Ray feels that the Continental goalies try to be a bit too spectacular, throwing themselves into breathtaking dives to take easy catches where a step or two to the side would suffice.

"Personally I feel that pyschology comes into it, for if a goalie can take down a hard shot from a forward with only a step to the side, it is going to frustrate the forward who will think "What do I have to do to beat this guy, he didn't even dive for that one."

As seen on the ABC in the Cup matches, several goals have come from keepers dropping balls or parrying them in front of their goal, and this fumbling encourages strikers to hit long shots, which have produced some spectacular goals.

Unfortunately from the goalkeeping point of view, Ray feels there is not enough emphasis given to training young keepers in the UK. This could stem from a generally accepted view, which even Ray follows that goalies are born, not made.

Even so, training in the basics is important to the budding goalie who may have the necessary attributes ... quick reflexes, strength, courage and speed, as well as the merest hint of madness, and Ray would like nothing better when he retires than to spend his time coaching youngsters, just as he did at Barton Park last weekend.

The book, "Clemence on Goalkeeping", which has just been released in Australia shows through 225 action and instruction photos how to be a goalkeeper.

The book, available at all major book stores at $13.50, is easy to read, and should appeal to football enthusiasts of all ages, especially prospective keepers.

JUNIORS

Australasian Championships?

New Zealand could be a welcome entrant in the National under-15 championships.

If they enter it would turn the Australian championships into an Australasian affair.

Australian junior secretary Brian Emery extended the invitation to New Zealand after NSW Amateur secretary Eric Drury had discussed the possibility with the Kiwis officials during the recent tour.

The NZ Council will advise if they are coming after their meeting tomorrow (June 17).

The occasion is particularly opportune as the titles will be played at Gosford, which means that internal travel costs will be very limited indeed.

New Zealand, coached by their National Director of Coaching, Barrie Truman, defeated NSW in a representative match played in Christchurch early this month.

There have been heavy entries from the States for the various championship grades, all of which will be played August 26-September 2.

The venues are: Under-15, Gosford; Under-14, Morwell, Vic.; Under-13, Brisbane; Under-12, Hobart.

SYDNEY YOUTH LEAGUE

Newcastle bye

St. Geo Dragons v ES Hakoah 3-0
Marconi Raiders v West. NSW 5-2
Wests v Marconi Comets def
Olympic v St. Geo Colts def

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Marc. Com.	4	3	1	28	9	11
Wests	5	—	2	35	6	10
ES Hakoah	4	2	2	13	11	10
St. Geo Drag	4	2	1	12	7	10
Newcastle	3	2	3	20	13	8
Marc. Raid.	4	1	2	18	10	9
Olympic	2	2	4	11	12	6
St. Geo Col	2	2	4	15	22	6
West NSW	—	—	9	8	70	—

THIS WEEK

West NSW v St. Geo Drag.....Orange Sp. Cent., 1pm Sat.
Marconi Comets v Marconi Raid.....Bossley Pk, 1pm Sat.
St. Geo Colts v Wests.....Erskin. Oval, 1pm Sat.
Newcastle v ES Hakoah.....Int. Sp. Cent., 12.15pm Sat.
Olympic Bye